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SB354: Business Regulation – Charitable Organizations – Audit and Review Thresholds

My name is Chief Robert Phillips, and I am the Legislative Committee Chair for the Maryland State Firefighters Association (MSFA)

I wish to present testimony in favor of **Senate Bill 354: Business Regulation – Charitable Organizations – Audit and Review Thresholds**

The MSFA is in full support of this bill. The MSFA represents over 350 fire companies who are registered as "charitable Organizations" in the state of Maryland. With this bill some will see a lower accounting cost due to the change in thresholds which trigger more expensive and time consuming reviews and audits. The MSFA offers it thanks to the sponsors of this bill.

The MSFA asks that you return a FAVORABLE vote on **SB:354**.

Thank you and I would be glad to answer any questions you might have.

Respectfully

Robert Phillips