

MARYLAND STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

*Representing the Volunteer Fire, Rescue and Emergency Medical Services Personnel
-a 501(c)3 Organization*



Legislative Committee

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HB 1482: Property Tax – Credit for Dwelling House of Disabled Veterans and Surviving Spouses – Revisions

I am Joel McCrea, member of the Legislative Committee and Past President of the Maryland State Firefighters Association (“MSFA”), which represents the interests of the volunteer fire, rescue, and emergency medical services of Maryland.

I wish to present testimony in favor of **House Bill 1482: Property Tax – Credit for Dwelling House of Disabled Veterans and Surviving Spouses – Revisions**

This bill does not directly apply to the volunteer service; however, this bill can and will benefit the community and certain members the volunteer service. This is why the MSFA is in support of this bill.

Veterans maintain a sense of commitment to their country and their community. It is this sense of commitment that inspires many veterans to volunteer their time and talents to the service and protection of others. The volunteer fire service depends on community minded individuals, such as veterans, to give back to their community. Keep in mind that there are many functions within a volunteer fire company that go beyond riding the equipment.

Property tax credits such as this help veterans and their families maintain their homes and stay in the community.

We, therefore, respectfully request a favorable vote to help support of veterans in the State of Maryland.

Respectfully,

Joel McCrea