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RE: Fire/EMS Coalition Support for HB0013

Dear Chair Wilkins, Vice Chair Feldmark, and Members of the Committee,

The Fire/EMS Coalition would like to express their support for House Bill 0013: **Income Tax – Subtraction Modification – Public Safety Employee Retirement Income (Supporting Our 9–1–1 Specialists Act)**. This bill will alter a certain subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for retirement income attributable to an individual’s employment as a public safety employee to include certain retirement income attributable to an individual’s employment as a 9–1–1 specialist; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2025.

The Fire/EMS Coalition supports House Bill 0013.

Sincerely,

Senator Mike McKay  
Representing the Appalachia Region of Maryland  
Serving Garrett, Allegany, and Washington Counties

**Voting Organizations:**

**Maryland Fire Chief’s Association (MFCA)**  
**Maryland State Firefighter’s Association (MSFA)**  
**State Fire Marshal (OSFM)**  
**Maryland Fire Rescue Institute (MFRI)**  
**Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services System (MIEMMS)**  
**Metro Fire Chief’s Association**  
**Professional Firefighters of Maryland**

***Our Mission Statement***

*The Maryland Fire/EMS Coalition unites Republicans and Democrats in support of fire/emergency services legislation that benefit all first responders. Becoming a member does not require taking positions on legislation; rather Coalition members are asked to offer support in a way that best benefits fire/emergency services in their respective Legislative Districts.*