

# MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION

*Representing the Volunteer Fire, Rescue and Emergency Services Personnel*

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## **LEGISLATIVE BULLETIN NO. 5**

Our bulletin offers up-to-date information on legislation that the MSFA is tracking. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the listed legislation, please contact us via phone or e-mail. Also, before addressing any Legislative matters, please contact the Legislative Committee so that we can keep the goals of the Maryland State Firemen's Association in the forefront.

We are here to assist with questions or concerns relating to the status of any particular piece of legislation. Should you have any information on issues of special interest to the Fire, Rescue, or Emergency Medical Services, please let us know.

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To find information on a bill, go to <http://mgaleg.maryland.gov>, page down to "Bill Information and Status" then enter HB (House Bill) number or SB (Senate Bill) number, then press enter.

Thank you for your support.

*Charles Walker*  
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Chairman

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MSFA Bills of Interest  
(February 7, 2019)

There have been **873** Senate Bills and **719** House Bills introduced to date.

We are currently tracking the following **47** bills.

The MSFA stance on these bills will be determined later. A breakdown of these bills are as follows:

**SUPPORTING THE FOLLOWING: Important Status Change please see below for updated status changes and committee work to perspective bills.**

Number / Chapter (Cross File / Chapter) Total: 18	Title	Primary Sponsor	Status	Original House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates	Opposite House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates
<a href="#">HB0055</a> ( <a href="#">SB0245</a> )	Transportation - Ignition Interlock Devices - Definition	<a href="#">Delegate Barron</a>	Hearing 1/24 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Judiciary</a> 1/24/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0070</a>	Public Safety - Rental Unit - Carbon Monoxide Alarms	<a href="#">Delegate Holmes</a>	Hearing 2/05 at 1:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Environment and Transportation</a> 2/5/2019 - 1:30 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0215</a> ( <a href="#">SB0005</a> )	Public Information Act - 9-1-1 Communications - Denial of Part of a Public Record	<a href="#">Delegate Jackson</a>	Hearing 2/05 at 2:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Health and Government Operations</a> 2/5/2019 - 2:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0231</a> ( <a href="#">SB0161</a> )	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Volunteer Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Services Members	<a href="#">Speaker</a>	First Reading Ways and Means	<a href="#">Ways and Means</a>	
<a href="#">HB0233</a> ( <a href="#">SB0160</a> )	Workers' Compensation - Medical Presumptions	<a href="#">Speaker</a>	Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Economic Matters</a> 2/26/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0397</a> ( <a href="#">SB0339</a> )	Public Safety - 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System (Carl Henn's Law)	<a href="#">Delegate Krebs</a>	Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Health and Government Operations</a> 2/19/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0441</a>	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Volunteer Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Services Members	<a href="#">Delegate Crosby</a>	First Reading Ways and Means	<a href="#">Ways and Means</a>	
<a href="#">HB0477</a> ( <a href="#">SB0292</a> )	Property Tax Credit - Public Safety Officer - Definition	<a href="#">Delegate Clark</a>	Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Ways and Means</a> 2/19/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0604</a> ( <a href="#">SB0646</a> )	Workers' Compensation - Medical Presumptions for Diseases and Cancer - Eligibility	<a href="#">Delegate Davis, D.E.</a>	First Reading Economic Matters	<a href="#">Economic Matters</a>	
<a href="#">HB0631</a>	High School Graduation Requirements - Student Service - Fire-Fighting Training and Volunteer Hours	<a href="#">Delegate Adams</a>	First Reading Ways and Means	<a href="#">Ways and Means</a>	
<a href="#">SB0005</a> ( <a href="#">HB0215</a> )	Public Information Act - 9-1-1 Communications - Denial of Part of a Public Record	<a href="#">Senator Kagan</a>	Hearing 1/23 at 4:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs</a> 1/23/2019 - 4:30 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0074</a>	Higher Education - Charles W. Riley Firefighter and Ambulance and Rescue Squad Member	<a href="#">Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs</a>	Hearing 1/16 at 3:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs</a>	

	Scholarship - Alterations	<a href="#">Committee</a>		1/16/2019 - 3:30 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0160</a> ( <a href="#">HB0233</a> )	Workers' Compensation - Medical Presumptions	<a href="#">President</a>	Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Finance</a> 2/19/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0161</a> ( <a href="#">HB0231</a> )	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Volunteer Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Services Members	<a href="#">President</a>	Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Budget and Taxation</a> 2/27/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0245</a> ( <a href="#">HB0055</a> )	Transportation - Ignition Interlock Devices - Definition	<a href="#">Senator Kramer</a>	Hearing 2/05 at 12:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Judicial Proceedings</a> 2/5/2019 - 12:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0292</a> ( <a href="#">HB0477</a> )	Property Tax Credit - Public Safety Officer - Definition	<a href="#">Senator Bailey</a>	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Budget and Taxation</a> 2/13/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0339</a> ( <a href="#">HB0397</a> )	Public Safety - 9-1-1 Emergency Telephone System (Carl Henn's Law)	<a href="#">Senator Kagan</a>	Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Finance</a> 2/26/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0646</a> ( <a href="#">HB0604</a> )	Workers' Compensation - Medical Presumptions for Diseases and Cancer - Eligibility	<a href="#">Senator Klausmeier</a>	Hearing 2/19 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Finance</a> 2/19/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	

**MONITORING THE FOLLOWING: Important Status Change please see below for updated status changes and committee work to perspective bills.**

Number / Chapter (Cross File / Chapter) Total: 20	Title	Primary Sponsor	Status	Original House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates	Opposite House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates
<a href="#">HB0008</a>	Business Regulation - Amusement Attractions - Maryland Rider Safety Act	<a href="#">Delegate Chang</a>	Hearing 1/22 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Economic Matters</a> 1/22/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0014</a>	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Retirement Income	<a href="#">Delegate Brooks</a>	Hearing 1/17 at 11:00 a.m.	<a href="#">Ways and Means</a> 1/17/2019 - 11:00 a.m.	
<a href="#">HB0149</a> ( <a href="#">SB0170</a> )	Retirement Tax Fairness Act of 2019	<a href="#">Speaker</a>	First Reading Ways and Means	<a href="#">Ways and Means</a>	
<a href="#">HB0154</a> ( <a href="#">SB0171</a> )	Income Tax Subtraction Modification - Qualified Retired Public Safety Employee (Hometown Heroes Act of 2019)	<a href="#">Speaker</a>	First Reading Ways and Means	<a href="#">Ways and Means</a>	
<a href="#">HB0164</a>	Business Occupations and Professions - Licensing and Regulation of Electricians	<a href="#">Chair, Economic Matters Committee</a>	Hearing canceled	<a href="#">Economic Matters</a>	
<a href="#">HB0366</a>	Commission to Study Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Funding	<a href="#">Delegate Krimm</a>	Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Health and Government Operations</a> 2/12/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0370</a>	Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation - Police Force - Repeal	<a href="#">Chair, Appropriations Committee</a>	Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Appropriations</a> 2/12/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0376</a>	Vehicle Laws - Traffic Accident or Incident Management (Clear the Road Act of 2019)	<a href="#">Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee</a>	Hearing 2/14 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Environment and Transportation</a> 2/14/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0383</a> ( <a href="#">SB0187</a> )	Maryland Department of Health - Biosafety Level 3 Laboratories	<a href="#">Delegate Young, K.</a>	Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Health and Government</a>	

				<a href="#">Operations</a> 2/13/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0386</a>	Admissions and Amusement Tax - Limitations on Municipal Corporations - Agricultural Tourism	<a href="#">Delegate Hornberger</a>	Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Ways and Means</a> 2/12/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0515</a>	Municipalities - Municipal Infraction Proceedings - Designation of a Building Inspector or an Enforcement Officer to Testify	<a href="#">Delegate Hornberger</a>	Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Environment and Transportation</a> 2/26/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0065</a>	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Retirement Income	<a href="#">Senator Young</a>	Hearing 1/17 at 10:30 a.m.	<a href="#">Budget and Taxation</a> 1/17/2019 - 10:30 a.m.	
<a href="#">SB0080</a>	Sales and Use Tax - Tax-Free Weekends - Emergency Preparedness Equipment	<a href="#">Senator Benson</a>	Hearing 1/17 at 10:30 a.m.	<a href="#">Budget and Taxation</a> 1/17/2019 - 10:30 a.m.	
<a href="#">SB0087</a> ( <a href="#">HB0271</a> )	Income Tax - Standard Deduction - Alteration	<a href="#">Senator Serafini</a>	Hearing 1/30 at 2:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Budget and Taxation</a> 1/30/2019 - 2:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0170</a> ( <a href="#">HB0149</a> )	Retirement Tax Fairness Act of 2019	<a href="#">President</a>	Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Budget and Taxation</a> 2/27/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0171</a> ( <a href="#">HB0154</a> )	Income Tax Subtraction Modification - Qualified Retired Public Safety Employee (Hometown Heroes Act of 2019)	<a href="#">President</a>	Hearing 2/27 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Budget and Taxation</a> 2/27/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0187</a> ( <a href="#">HB0383</a> )	Maryland Department of Health - Biosafety Level 3 Laboratories	<a href="#">Senator Young</a>	Hearing 2/07 at 2:30 p.m.	<a href="#">Finance</a> 2/7/2019 - 2:30 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0284</a>	9-1-1 Specialists - Compensation and Benefits	<a href="#">Senator Kagan</a>	Hearing 2/26 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Finance</a> 2/26/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0295</a>	Criminal Law - Death Penalty - Law Enforcement Officers and First Responders	<a href="#">Senator Salling</a>	Hearing 2/12 at 12:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Judicial Proceedings</a> 2/12/2019 - 12:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0571</a>	Volunteer Fire Company and Rescue Squads - Member Disability and Death Benefits - Appeals Process	<a href="#">Senator Bailey</a>	First Reading Finance	<a href="#">Finance</a>	

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Number / Chapter (Cross File / Chapter) Total: 5	Title	Primary Sponsor	Status	Original House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates	Opposite House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates
<a href="#">HB0287</a> ( <a href="#">SB0275</a> )	Frederick County - Alcoholic Beverages - Promoter's Permit	<a href="#">Frederick County Delegation</a>	Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Economic Matters</a> 2/18/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">HB0293</a> ( <a href="#">SB0204</a> )	Frederick County - Alcoholic Beverages - Volunteer Fire Company or Volunteer Ambulance Company License	<a href="#">Frederick County Delegation</a>	Hearing 2/18 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Economic Matters</a> 2/18/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0099</a> ( <a href="#">HB0639</a> )	Anne Arundel County - Public Safety - Buildings Used for Agritourism	<a href="#">Senator Elfreth</a>	Hearing 2/05 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs</a>	

				2/5/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0204</a> ( <a href="#">HB0293</a> )	Frederick County - Alcoholic Beverages - Volunteer Fire Company or Volunteer Ambulance Company License	<a href="#">Senator Young</a>	Hearing 2/22 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs</a> 2/22/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
<a href="#">SB0275</a> ( <a href="#">HB0287</a> )	Frederick County - Alcoholic Beverages - Promoter's Permit	<a href="#">Senator Young</a>	Hearing 2/22 at 1:00 p.m.	<a href="#">Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs</a> 2/22/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	

**BUDGET: Important Status Change please see below for updated status changes and committee work to perspective bills.**

Number / Chapter (Cross File / Chapter) Total: 4	Title	Primary Sponsor	Status	Original House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates	Opposite House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates
<a href="#">HB0100</a> ( <a href="#">SB0125</a> )	Budget Bill (Fiscal Year 2020)	<a href="#">Speaker</a>	First Reading Appropriations	<a href="#">Appropriations</a>	
<a href="#">HB0101</a> ( <a href="#">SB0126</a> )	Creation of a State Debt - Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2019, and the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018	<a href="#">Speaker</a>	First Reading Appropriations	<a href="#">Appropriations</a>	
<a href="#">SB0125</a> ( <a href="#">HB0100</a> )	Budget Bill (Fiscal Year 2020)	<a href="#">President</a>	First Reading Budget and Taxation	<a href="#">Budget and Taxation</a>	
<a href="#">SB0126</a> ( <a href="#">HB0101</a> )	Creation of a State Debt - Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2019, and the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018	<a href="#">President</a>	First Reading Budget and Taxation	<a href="#">Budget and Taxation</a>	