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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

Charles Walker
Chairman

James E. Malone

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Vice Chairman

MSFA Bills of Interest (January 24, 2019)

There have been **228 Senate Bills** and **253 House Bills** introduced to date.

We are currently tracking the following **23** 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 has been announced hearing dates, please see below for updated status changes and committee work to perspective bills.

Number / Chapter (Cross File / Chapter) Total: 8	Title	Primary Sponsor	Status	Original House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates	Opposite House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates
HB0070	Public Safety - Rental Unit - Carbon Monoxide Alarms	Delegate Holmes	Hearing 2/05 at 1:30 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/5/2019 - 1:30 p.m.	
HB0215 (SB0005)	Public Information Act - 9-1-1 Communications - Denial of Part of a Public Record	Delegate Jackson	Hearing 2/05 at 2:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations 2/5/2019 - 2:00 p.m.	
HB0231 (SB0161)	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Volunteer Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Services Members	Speaker	First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0233 (SB0160)	Workers' Compensation - Medical Presumptions	Speaker	First Reading Economic Matters	Economic Matters	
SB0005 (HB0215)	Public Information Act - 9-1-1 Communications - Denial of Part of a Public Record	Senator Kagan	Hearing 1/23 at 4:30 p.m.	Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 1/23/2019 - 4:30 p.m.	
SB0074	Higher Education - Charles W. Riley Firefighter and Ambulance and Rescue Squad Member Scholarship - Alterations	Chair, Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee	Hearing 1/16 at 3:30 p.m.	Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 1/16/2019 - 3:30 p.m.	
SB0160 (HB0233)	Workers' Compensation - Medical Presumptions	President	First Reading Finance	Finance	
SB0161 (HB0231)	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Volunteer Fire, Rescue, and Emergency Medical Services Members	President	First Reading Budget and Taxation	Budget and Taxation	

MONITORING THE FOLLOWING: Important Status Change has been announced hearing dates, please see below for updated status changes and committee work to perspective bills.

Number / Chapter (Cross File / Chapter) Total: 9	Title	Primary Sponsor	Status	Original House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates	Opposite House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates
HB0014	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Retirement Income	Delegate Brooks	Hearing 1/17 at 11:00 a.m.	Ways and Means 1/17/2019 - 11:00 a.m.	
HB0149 (SB0170)	Retirement Tax Fairness Act of 2019	Speaker	First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0154 (SB0171)	Income Tax Subtraction Modification - Qualified Retired Public Safety Employee (Hometown Heroes Act of 2019)	Speaker	First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0164	Business Occupations and Professions - Licensing and Regulation of Electricians	Chair, Economic Matters Committee	First Reading Economic Matters	Economic Matters	
SB0065	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Retirement Income	Senator Young	Hearing 1/17 at 10:30 a.m.	Budget and Taxation 1/17/2019 - 10:30 a.m.	
SB0080	Sales and Use Tax - Tax-Free Weekends - Emergency Preparedness Equipment	Senator Benson	Hearing 1/17 at 10:30 a.m.	Budget and Taxation 1/17/2019 - 10:30 a.m.	
SB0087	Income Tax - Standard Deduction - Alteration	Senator Serafini	Hearing 1/30 at 2:00 p.m.	Budget and Taxation 1/30/2019 - 2:00 p.m.	
SB0170 (HB0149)	Retirement Tax Fairness Act of 2019	President	First Reading Budget and Taxation	Budget and Taxation	
SB0171 (HB0154)	Income Tax Subtraction Modification - Qualified Retired Public Safety Employee (Hometown Heroes Act of 2019)	President	First Reading Budget and Taxation	Budget and Taxation	

LOCAL ISSUES FOLLOWING: Important Status Change has been announced hearing dates, please see below for updated status changes and committee work to perspective bills.

Number / Chapter (Cross File / Chapter) Total: 2	Title	Primary Sponsor	Status	Original House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates	Opposite House Committee(s) and Hearing Dates
SB0099	Anne Arundel County - Public Safety - Buildings Used for Agritourism	Senator Elfreth	Hearing 2/05 at 1:00 p.m.	Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 2/5/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	
SB0204	Frederick County - Alcoholic Beverages - Volunteer Fire Company or Volunteer Ambulance Company License	Senator Young	Hearing 2/22 at 1:00 p.m.	Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs 2/22/2019 - 1:00 p.m.	

BUDGET: Important Status Change has been announced hearing dates, 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
HB0100 (SB0125)	Budget Bill (Fiscal Year 2020)	Speaker	First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	
HB0101 (SB0126)	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	Speaker	First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	
SB0125 (HB0100)	Budget Bill (Fiscal Year 2020)	President	First Reading Budget and Taxation	Budget and Taxation	
SB0126 (HB0101)	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	President	First Reading Budget and Taxation	Budget and Taxation	