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## **SB 273 Environment – PFAS Chemicals – Prohibitions and Requirements (George “Walter” Taylor Act)**

My name is Robert Phillips and I am the Legislative Committee Chairman for the Maryland State Firefighter's Association (MSFA).

I wish to present testimony in favor of **Senate Bill 273: Environment – PFAS Chemicals – Prohibitions and Requirements (George “Walter” Taylor Act)**

The MSFA fully supports this bill. The bill when passed will be a good effort in removing harmful chemicals from the environment while protecting first responders. While banning the use of the foam and allowing for the state to purchase it back for disposal you will be helping the volunteer fire service financially and preserving the health of its members.

I thank the committee for their time on this important issue and ask that you favorably support Senate Bill 956..

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