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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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MARYLAND STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION BILLS OF INTEREST
(January 25, 2024)

There have been **589 Senate Bills** and **697 House Bills** introduced to date.

We are currently tracking **76 bills** and they are following:

A breakdown of these bills are as follows:

SUPPORTING WITH HIGH IMPORTANCE: Important Status Change has been announced, hearing dates, please see below for updated status changes and committee work to perspective bills.

Bill/Chapter (Cross/Chapter)	Title	Sponsor	Current Status	Org Committees & Hearings	Opp Committees & Hearings
HB0321	Criminal Law - Crimes of Arson - Prohibitions and Penalties	Delegate Attar	In the House - Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 1/30/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0435	Criminal Law – Crimes of Arson – Prohibitions and Penalties	Senator Gallion	In the Senate - Hearing 2/09 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 2/09/2024 - 1:00 PM	

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Bill/Chapter (Cross/Chapter)	Title	Sponsor	Current Status	Org Committees & Hearings	Opp Committees & Hearings
HB0070 (SB0496)	Criminal Law - Interference With a Public Safety Answering Point - Penalties	Delegate Hill	In the House - Hearing 1/23 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 1/23/2024 - 1:00 PM	
HB0259	District Court - Traffic Cases - Surcharges	Delegate Chang	In the House - Hearing 1/31 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 1/31/2024 - 1:00 PM	
HB0468 (SB0532)	Commission to Advance Lithium-Ion Battery Safety in Maryland	Delegate Love	In the House - First Reading Economic Matters and Environment and Transportation	Economic Matters Environment and Transportation	
HB0503 (SB0586)	Public Safety - Corrugated Stainless Steel	Delegate Stein	In the House - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	Environment and Transportation	

	Tubing for Fuel Gas Piping Systems - Requirements and Prohibitions			2/13/2024 - 1:00 PM	
HB0584 (SB0476)	Workers' Compensation - Occupational Disease Presumptions - First Responders (Caring for Public Employees in the Safety Professions - CAPES Act)	Speaker	In the House - First Reading Economic Matters	Economic Matters	
HB0626 (SB0323)	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Public Safety Volunteers	Delegate Schmidt	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
SB0210	Emergency Medical Services - Paramedics - Immunization Administration - Effective Date	Chair, Finance Committee	In the Senate - Hearing 1/24 at 1:30 p.m.	Finance 1/24/2024 - 1:30 PM	
SB0323 (HB0626)	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Public Safety Volunteers	Senator Jackson	In the Senate - Hearing 1/24 at 1:00 p.m.	Budget and Taxation 1/24/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0431	Workers' Compensation - Occupational Disease Presumption - Long COVID (Home of the Brave Act of 2024)	Senator Waldstreicher	In the Senate - First Reading Finance	Finance	
SB0476 (HB0584)	Workers' Compensation - Occupational Disease Presumptions - First Responders (Caring for Public Employees in the Safety Professions - CAPES Act)	President	In the Senate - First Reading Finance	Finance	

SB0532 (HB0468)	Commission to Advance Lithium–Ion Battery Safety in Maryland	Senator Gallion	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0586 (HB0503)	Public Safety - Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing for Fuel Gas Piping Systems - Requirements and Prohibitions	Senator Brooks	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	

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HB0028	Passenger, Truck, and Multipurpose Vehicles - Annual Registration Fees (Pedestrian Fatality Prevention Act of 2024)	Delegate Lewis, R.	In the House - Hearing 2/01 at 1:00 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/01/2024 - 1:00 PM	
HB0199 (SB0141)	Multifamily Dwellings - Smoking Policies	Delegate Wu	In the House - Hearing 2/06 at 1:30 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/06/2024 - 1:30 PM	
HB0280 (SB0446)	Local Government - Condominium and Homeowners Associations - Repair and Rehabilitation Funds	Delegate Holmes	In the House - Hearing 2/06 at 1:30 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/06/2024 - 1:30 PM	
HB0370	Maryland Department of Health - Study on the Effects of and Preparedness for Long COVID-19	Delegate Vogel	In the House - First Reading Health and Government Operations	Health and Government Operations	
HB0380 (SB0374)	State Emergency Medical Services Board - Licenses and Certificates -	Delegate Solomon	In the House - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.	Health and Government Operations	

	Application Requirements			2/06/2024 - 1:00 PM	
HB0502	Public Safety - Fire Dampers, Smoke Dampers, Combination Fire Smoke Dampers, and Smoke Control Systems	Delegate Long, J.	In the House - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/13/2024 - 1:00 PM	
HB0529	Edward T. and Mary A. Conroy Memorial Scholarship Program - Veterans - Number of Eligible Recipients	Delegate Crosby	In the House - First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	
HB0579 (SB0474)	Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and Related Approvals – Definition of Generating Station (Critical Infrastructure Streamlining Act of 2024)	Speaker	In the House - First Reading Economic Matters	Economic Matters	
HB0646 (SB0108)	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Police Auxiliary and Reserve Volunteers	Delegate Simmons	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0674	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Retirement Income	Delegate Grammer	In the House - First Reading Ways and Means	Ways and Means	
HB0680 (SB0536)	Environment - Nuclear Power Plants - Emergency Preparedness (Radiation and Emergency Preparedness and Protection Act)	Delegate Morgan, T.	In the House - First Reading Economic Matters	Economic Matters	
SB0025	Property Tax Credit - Disabled or Fallen Law Enforcement Officer or Rescue Worker - Alterations	Senator Klausmeier	In the Senate - Hearing 1/18 at 12:00 p.m.	Budget and Taxation 1/18/2024 - 12:00 PM	

SB0054 (HB0175)	Occupational Licensing and Certification - Criminal History - Prohibited Disclosures and Predetermination Review Process	Senator Carter	In the Senate - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m. (Finance)	Finance 2/06/2024 - 1:00 PM Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0059	Safe Sleep for Infants - Awareness and Certification	Senator Ellis	In the Senate - Hearing 2/08 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 2/08/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0108 (HB0646)	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Police Auxiliary and Reserve Volunteers	Senator Bailey	In the Senate - Hearing 1/24 at 1:00 p.m.	Budget and Taxation 1/24/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0141 (HB0199)	Multifamily Dwellings - Smoking Policies	Senator Washington, A.	In the Senate - Hearing 1/30 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 1/30/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0252	Public Safety - 9-1-1 Trust Fund - Alterations	Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee	In the Senate - Hearing 1/25 at 1:30 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 1/25/2024 - 1:30 PM	
SB0255	Public Safety - Volunteer Company Assistance Fund - Alterations	Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee	In the Senate - Hearing 2/01 at 1:30 p.m.	Education, Energy, and the Environment 2/01/2024 - 1:30 PM	
SB0346	Income Tax - Subtraction Modification - Military Retirement Income (Keep Our Heroes Home Act)	Senator Elfreth	In the Senate - Hearing 1/24 at 1:00 p.m.	Budget and Taxation 1/24/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0374 (HB0380)	State Emergency Medical Services Board - Licenses and Certificates - Application Requirements	Senator Waldstreicher	In the Senate - Hearing 2/15 at 1:00 p.m.	Finance 2/15/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0446 (HB0280)	Local Government - Condominium and Homeowners	Senator Muse	In the Senate - Hearing 1/31 at 1:00 p.m.	Budget and Taxation	

	Associations - Repair and Rehabilitation Funds			1/31/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0474 (HB0579)	Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity and Related Approvals - Definition of Generating Station (Critical Infrastructure Streamlining Act of 2024)	President	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0536 (HB0680)	Environment - Nuclear Power Plants - Emergency Preparedness (Radiation and Emergency Preparedness and Protection Act)	Senator Jackson	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0578	Professional and Volunteer Firefighter Innovative Cancer Screening Technologies Program - Funding	Senator Guzzone	In the Senate - First Reading Budget and Taxation	Budget and Taxation	

OSFM MATTERS: The following bills have been highlighted, to reflect legislation that will need monitoring in support of the State Fire Marshal and the jurisdictional Fire Marshal divisions in the state. **(BILLS FOUND THIS SECTIONS WILL APPEAR IN OTHER SECIONS AS WELL ONCE A DETERMINATION IS MADE TO AS WELL FOR SPOSNOR REQUEST)**

Bill/Chapter (Cross/Chapter)	Title	Sponsor	Current Status	Org Committees & Hearings	Opp Committees & Hearings
HB0008 (SB0048)	Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission - Police Officer Certification - Eligibility	Delegate Fraser-Hidalgo	In the House - Hearing 1/23 at 1:00 p.m.	Judiciary 1/23/2024 - 1:00 PM	
HB0027	No-Knock Warrants	Delegate Acevero	In the House - First Reading Judiciary	Judiciary	

<u>HB0121</u>	Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services - Training Facilities With an Outdoor Firearm Range - Location	<u>Delegate Amprey</u>	In the House - Hearing canceled	<u>Appropriations</u>	
<u>HB0249</u>	Public Safety - Statewide DNA Database System, DNA Collection, and Penalties - Alterations	<u>Chair, Judiciary Committee</u>	In the House - Hearing 2/06 at 1:00 p.m.	<u>Judiciary</u> 2/06/2024 - 1:00 PM	
<u>HB0319</u> (<u>SB0052</u>)	Juvenile Justice Restoration Act of 2024	<u>Delegate Kipke</u>	In the House - First Reading Judiciary	<u>Judiciary</u>	
<u>HB0468</u> (<u>SB0532</u>)	Commission to Advance Lithium-Ion Battery Safety in Maryland	<u>Delegate Love</u>	In the House - First Reading Economic Matters and Environment and Transportation	<u>Economic Matters Environment and Transportation</u>	
<u>HB0502</u>	Public Safety - Fire Dampers, Smoke Dampers, Combination Fire Smoke Dampers, and Smoke Control Systems	<u>Delegate Long, J.</u>	In the House - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	<u>Environment and Transportation</u> 2/13/2024 - 1:00 PM	
<u>HB0503</u> (<u>SB0586</u>)	Public Safety - Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing for Fuel Gas Piping Systems - Requirements and Prohibitions	<u>Delegate Stein</u>	In the House - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	<u>Environment and Transportation</u> 2/13/2024 - 1:00 PM	
<u>SB0002</u>	Juvenile Law - Child in Need of Supervision - Mandatory Petition (NyKayla Strawder Memorial Act)	<u>Senator Carter</u>	In the Senate - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	<u>Judicial Proceedings</u> 2/13/2024 - 1:00 PM	
<u>SB0007</u>	Public Safety - Law Enforcement Agencies - Positive Community Feedback	<u>Senator Bailey</u>	In the Senate - Hearing 1/24 at 2:30 p.m.	<u>Judicial Proceedings</u> 1/24/2024 - 2:30 PM	
<u>SB0017</u> (<u>HB0667</u>)	Criminal Law - Crimes Relating to Animals - Conviction and Sentencing	<u>Senator West</u>	In the Senate - Hearing 2/01 at 1:00 p.m.	<u>Judicial Proceedings</u> 2/01/2024 - 1:00 PM	

SB0048 (HB0008)	Maryland Police Training and Standards Commission - Police Officer Certification - Eligibility	Senator Kagan	In the Senate - Hearing 1/24 at 2:30 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 1/24/2024 - 2:30 PM	
SB0052 (HB0319)	Juvenile Justice Restoration Act of 2024	Senator Folden	In the Senate - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 2/13/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0102 (HB0329)	Public Safety - Handgun Permits - Expiration and Renewal Periods for Retired Law Enforcement Officer	Senator Carozza	In the Senate - Hearing 1/24 at 2:30 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 1/24/2024 - 2:30 PM	
SB0190 (HB0404)	Law Enforcement - Wellness Checks - Requirements	Senator Muse	In the Senate - Hearing 1/24 at 2:30 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 1/24/2024 - 2:30 PM	
SB0195	Juveniles - Arrest by Law Enforcement - Report to Local Department of Social Services	Senator Watson	In the Senate - Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 2/13/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0318 (HB0317)	Criminal Procedure - Postconviction Review - Motion for Reduction of Sentence	Senator West	In the Senate - Hearing 2/01 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 2/01/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0320 (HB0415)	State Police Retirement System and Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System – Deferred Retirement Option Program – Technical Correction	Senator Jackson	In the Senate - Hearing 1/25 at 9:30 a.m.	Budget and Taxation 1/25/2024 - 9:30 AM	
SB0352	Maryland Building Performance Standards – Apartment Building Height Allowances – Study and Alterations	Senator Watson	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	
SB0532 (HB0468)	Commission to Advance Lithium-Ion Battery Safety in Maryland	Senator Gallion	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and	Education, Energy, and the Environment	

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SB0586 (HB0503)	Public Safety - Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing for Fuel Gas Piping Systems - Requirements and Prohibitions	Senator Brooks	In the Senate - First Reading Education, Energy, and the Environment	Education, Energy, and the Environment	

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HB0212 (SB0155)	Vehicle Laws - Noise Abatement Monitoring Systems - Authorization	Delegate Palakovich Carr	In the House - Hearing 2/08 at 1:00 p.m.	Environment and Transportation 2/08/2024 - 1:00 PM	
SB0155 (HB0212)	Vehicle Laws - Noise Abatement Monitoring Systems - Authorization	Senator Washington, A.	In the Senate - Hearing 1/31 at 1:00 p.m.	Judicial Proceedings 1/31/2024 - 1:00 PM	

BUDGET:

Bill/Chapter (Cross/Chapter)	Title	Sponsor	Current Status	Org Committees & Hearings	Opp Committees & Hearings
HB0350 (SB0360)	Budget Bill (Fiscal Year 2025)	Speaker	In the House - First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	
HB0351 (SB0361)	Creation of a State Debt - Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2024, and the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023	Speaker	In the House - First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	
HB0352 (SB0362)	Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2024	Speaker	In the House - First Reading Appropriations	Appropriations	

SB0360 (HB0350)	Budget Bill (Fiscal Year 2025)	President	In the Senate - First Reading Budget and Taxation	Budget and Taxation	
SB0361 (HB0351)	Creation of a State Debt - Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2024, and the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loans of 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023	President	In the Senate - First Reading Budget and Taxation	Budget and Taxation	
SB0362 (HB0352)	Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2024	President	In the Senate - First Reading Budget and Taxation	Budget and Taxation	

PUBLIC SAFETY BONDS:

Project Name	Status	House Sponsors	Senate Sponsors	County	Amount Requested
Beltsville VFD 31	Introduced in Senate		Rosapepe	Prince George's	\$1,500,000
City of Glenarden Public Safety Building	Introduced in Senate		Benson	Prince George's	\$2,000,000
Emergency Services Training Campus	Introduced in Senate		Mautz	Talbot	\$500,000
International Black Fire Fighter Museum and Safety Education Center	Introduced in House	Addison Smith Young		Baltimore City	\$250,000
Solomons VRSFD Boat	Introduced	Morgan, T.	Bailey	Calvert	\$100,000
Second District VFDRS Solar Panels	Introduced	Morgan, T.	Bailey	St. Mary's	\$100,000
Owings Mills Volunteer Fire Company	Introduced	Pasteur	Hettleman	Baltimore	\$150,000