

## Maryland Chiefs of Police Association Maryland Sheriffs' Association



## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: The Honorable Guy Guzzone, Chair and

Members of the Budget and Taxation Committee

FROM: Chief of Staff David Morris, Co-Chair, MCPA, Joint Legislative Committee

Sheriff Darren Popkin, Co-Chair, MSA, Joint Legislative Committee

Andrea Mansfield, Representative, MCPA-MSA Joint Legislative Committee

DATE: February 23, 2022

RE: SB 130 – Income Tax Subtraction Modification – Military and Public Safety

**Retirement Income** 

POSITION: SUPPORT

The Maryland Chiefs of Police Association (MCPA) and the Maryland Sheriffs' Association (MSA) SUPPORT SB 130. This bill expands the current subtraction modification for military and public safety retirement income.

Regardless of the agency or uniform worn, the men and women of the military, law enforcement and public safety have stepped forward on behalf of the citizens of their communities and of our State. Each one has taken an oath, a promise, to put the well-being of others first. As we have seen all too often, these professionals put their lives and safety on the line each shift they work, many being asked to make the ultimate sacrifice. This legislation recognizes and honors the sacrifice of military and public safety officers. MCPA and MSA believe this is warranted and appropriate considering the dangerous work these individuals perform throughout their careers and their dedication to service to and protection of the public.

For this reason, MCPA and MSA SUPPORT SB 130 and urge a FAVORABLE Committee report.