

ST. MARY'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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September 24, 2019

The Honorable Matthew Morgan
Maryland House of Delegates
310 House Office Building
6 Bladen Street
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: St. Mary's County - §49.1(E) of Article 19 of the Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County to amend the Emergency Services Tax regarding revenue for Rescue Squads

Dear Chairman Morgan:

The Commissioners of St. Mary's County support the request to amend §49.1(E) of *Article 19 of the Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County* to state that any emergency services tax revenue that exceeds the budgetary needs of the emergency services providers **may** be used to reduce the emergency services tax for the next fiscal year as requested by Commissioner O'Connor. This will allow individual rescue squads the ability to have alternative funding sources without penalty.

We appreciate the introduction of this legislation and believe this legislation will benefit the citizens of St. Mary's County. We look forward to working with you on this and other initiatives throughout the session.

Sincerely,
COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY

James R. Guy, President

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