



Katie Fry Hester - State Senator Legislative District 09

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Maryland Candidates Questionnaire

1-Do you support maintaining Current level of Budget Funding for the Maryland State Firemen's Association?

[Yes] No

2-Will you support putting additional loan funds in the VCAF (Volunteer Company Assistance Loans) program so that more low interest loans can be made through the Maryland Military Dept and the Maryland State Firemen's Association?

[Yes] No

3-Do you understand the critical situation of the Volunteer Fire and Rescue System in Maryland and support additional State Benefit incentives (additional income tax deductions/reduction of state fees) for Volunteer Fire and EMS personnel?

[Yes] No

4-Would you support state funded accessibility to family Health insurance for volunteer fire and rescue personnel?

[Yes] No

5-Would you support modifying the Workmen's Compensation Insurance allocation model for Fire/EMS Assumption Claims to be pro-rated by the claimant's employment or volunteer service location rather than the current last exposure insured.

[Yes] No

6-Would you support additional funding models for fire and rescue services in Maryland?

[Yes] No

7-Would you support providing additional funding for the rural counties to raise the compensation level of EMT's and Paramedics in each jurisdiction to reduce the critical EMT/Paramedic Shortage in rural areas?

[Yes] No

Would you sponsor legislation for any of the above issues - Please indicate below:

Volunteer firefighters and EMTs provide a tremendous service to Maryland's residents and are a savings to our taxpayers. I know how critical volunteer services are to the safety of our communities, based on my experience as a volunteer on the WISP Ski patrol. I support legislation that will help maintain this critical resource and would sponsor key bills. Plain and simple, we should take care of those who take care of us.

Signature: Katie Fry Hester

Return Questionnaire by September 10, 2018 to: Maryland State Firemen's Association, 2130 Priest Bridge Drive, Suite 4, Crofton, MD 21114

Would you like to meet with Representatives of the Maryland State Firemen's Association for further clarification or information on these issues?

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