

Dakota Soda

From: Richard C Riesterer <Richard.Riesterer@troymi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:34 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Cc: Rep. Daire Rendon (District 103); Rep. Ryan Berman (District 39); Rep. Beau LaFave (District 108); BobBezotte@house.mi.gov; Rep. TC Clements (District 56); Rep. Matt Hall (District 63); Rep. Bronna Kahle (District 57); Rep. Luke Meerman (District 88); Rep. Bryan Posthumus (District 73); MarkTisdale@house.mi.gov; Rep. Kyra Harris Bolden (District 35); Rep. Brenda Carter (District 29); Rep. Kevin Coleman (District 16); Rep. Sarah Anthony (District 68); Rep. Kelly A. Breen (District 38); Rep. Richard Steenland (District 22); Rep. Lori Stone (District 28)
Subject: HOUSE INSURANCE: HB 4172

Good Morning,

My name is Chuck Riesterer. I reside at 1465 Boyd, Troy, MI. And I support HB 4172. As a firefighter with over 38 years of service, including 30+ years serving with the largest fire department in Oakland County, and the largest combination career/volunteer fire department in Michigan, I know all too well the pain and suffering caused by this dreaded disease.

HB 4172 would allow volunteer, paid-on-call and part time fire fighters to be eligible under the First Responders Presumed Coverage Fund if they develop one of the 10 specified types of cancers. The majority of Firefighters in the state of Michigan are either volunteer, part-time, or paid-on-call. These folks drop everything to help their neighbors. The literally risk their lives, and their livelihoods whenever their community is threatened. And a lot of those are increasingly responding to other communities due to the statewide shortage of firefighters (volunteers).

The First Responders Presumed Coverage Fund is **NOT** funded by state general funds and is not an expansion of the Workers Compensation Act. The addition of all fire fighters would have **NO FISCAL IMPACT** on the state. I understand that funding has been secured through restricted revenues coming from the recently passed online gaming legislation. I also understand that this legislation will expand the list of cancers to include breast and ovarian ... a needed expansion for all members of our profession.

It is imperative to the safety of the folks who protect our loved ones and their properties that you **support this important legislation**. By passing this legislation, it provides additional positive consideration to those who are considering making application. Any tool the fire service can use to recruit would be helpful. And you can do this at no additional cost to the taxpayer.

In addition to sending the committee clerk an email to submit a card of support, I am asking that each House member on this email support HB 4172 as well. This legislation costs nothing but your time and some effort. Time and effort that your local firefighters would give freely for you. Please support this bill.

Thank you.



Richard C. Riesterer,
Fire Chief

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Dakota Soda

From: Kevin O'brien <kobrien@stfd.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: I support HB 4172

Good morning,

I support this bill because Saginaw Township is one of the largest paid on call fire departments in the state and fights more fire than many fulltime departments do. This bill will cover our firefighters the way they should be.

Thank you

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Kevin O'Brien

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From: Bob Cairnduff <bcairnduff@cityoffentonfire.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 4:18 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Hello,
I am writing you in support of HB 4172.

I am in full support of this legislation that would provide presumptive coverage to volunteer, paid-on-call, and part-time fire fighters if they develop one of the 10 specific types of Cancer.

This fund would not be funded by the State and is not an expansion of the workers compensation act. There would be no fiscal impact to the State. The funding would come from the recently passed online gambling legislation.

The proposed legislation will expand the list of Cancers to include breast and ovarian.

This is EXTREMELY important legislation that will help support our firefighters that battle the toxic dangers of our society on a daily basis. Please provide your full support to this bill.

Robert Cairnduff
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Dakota Soda

From: Michael McLeieer <michael.mcLeieer@escapeinc.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 2:53 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Good Afternoon Dakota,

My name is Lt. Michael O. McLeieer and I reside at 6153 East O Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49048-9749 in Kalamazoo County. I am the Immediate Past President of the Michigan State Firemen's Association.

I support HB 4172

Best Regards,
Michael

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Subject: HB4172 - Insurance Committee Hearing

To Whom it May Concern,

I was informed that there is a hearing scheduled for this week concerning HB4172. I am in strong support of HB4172. The amendments of this bill are vital to providing the care to the majority of firefighters in the State of Michigan. Most firefighters within the state are part time, paid on call, or volunteer. Prior to my current position I served as a paid on call firefighter/fire officer for over 17 years. No matter your paid status within the fire service, we all do the same job and are exposed to the same risks. Each and every firefighter deserves to be covered by the protection within this bill.

I have also cc'd my local representative, Tim Sneller, in this email as well.

Thank you in advance for your support and dedication to every firefighter in our state..

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Dakota Soda

From: James Peterson <petersonj@macomb-mi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:57 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: support HB 4172

Good morning,

I am writing to advocate and express my support on this issue and it's direct affect on my family and I. My name and some basic information related to the bill can be found below.

James Peterson (FF Local IAFF Local 5023) 11 years of service
21288 Charlene, Macomb Mich. 48044
I support HB 4172

Key Points for your review:

- HB 4172 would allow volunteer, paid-on- call and part time fire fighters to be eligible under the First Responders Presumed Coverage Fund if they develop one of the 10 specified types of cancers.
- The First Responders Presumed Coverage Fund is NOT funded by state general funds and is not an expansion of the Workers Compensation Act. The addition of all fire fighters would have NO FISCAL IMPACT on the state.
- We have secured funding through restricted revenues coming from the recently passed online gaming legislation.
- Will expand the list of cancers to include breast and ovarian.

FF James Peterson
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Dakota Soda

From: Jason Dumas <dumasj@macomb-mi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:01 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Good morning,

I am writing to advocate and express my support on this issue and it's direct affect on me and my family. My name and some basic information related to the bill can be found below.

Jason Dumas (FF Local IAFF Local 5023) 18 years of service
9371 Webb Rd
Wales MI, 48027
I support HB 4172

Key Points for your review:

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Sincerely,

SERGEANT
Jason D. Dumas

FIRE INSPECTOR
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From: Gregory Mowbray <mowbray@brightonareafire.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 18, 2021 10:17 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Good morning

My apologies for the lateness of this email, and I realize this was voted upon this morning, but I feel I still needed to pass along my story and ask for support.

Who am I...
Greg Mowbray
3106 Sligo Ln
Brighton 48114

I support HB 4172 as I just started treatment for throat cancer on Monday 2/15/21.

I'm in my 25th year as a firefighter for the Brighton Area Fire Authority. The first 23 years I served as a Paid on Call member, working through the ranks from Firefighter to Captain. In July of 2019 I was offered a full time position as the Chief of Training and officially made the transition from the private sector over to the public sector. I love my job!

When I received my diagnosis in January of 2021, it was the hardest 3 words I and my family have ever heard in our lives "You have cancer". The number of test I have had to endure, the endless needle sticks, biopsies, and doctor visits have been more in the past 2 months, then my entire life. The emotions of the unknown, all the unanswered questions, the overwhelming flood of information, the thought of life not being as it once was, and most importantly the financial impact this could bring if insurance companies won't cover the cost.

When you receive that news of having cancer, the first thing you ask is why...why me? I have lived a healthy lifestyle, I work out, I eat right, I don't smoke, I wear all my protective gear...why me? I'm 54 years old, I have a great career, a beautiful family and fulfilling many of my dreams, and now I'm dealt this. It's not fair, but I'm ready to fight.

I can't stress enough the importance that this bill brings in giving that little bit of comfort to those of us going through this terrible illness. Knowing that there is support for those of us that have given so much to our communities, and those we have helped in the past.

The simple vote of YES for the First Responders Presumed Coverage will give back 10 fold to those of us fighting the fight of our life. This is NOT funded by states general funds, is not an expansion of the Workers Compensation Act. The addition of all firefighters, regardless of employment as full time, paid on call or volunteer, will have NO FISCAL IMPACT on the state. Funding will come through the recently passed online gaming legislation.

Again, my apologies for the lateness of my email, but I was physically unable to type this yesterday in recovering from my weely treatment of chemo and radiation. Throat cancer is one of the hardest cancers to treat and recover from.

Thank you in advance

--

Greg Mowbray
Chief of Training

Brighton Area Fire Authority
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Training - You only get out of it what you are prepared to put in...Surround yourself with people that force you to do better.

Dakota Soda

From: Jim Coomer <jcoomer@walledlake.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:39 PM
To: Rep. Kelly A. Breen (District 38); Dakota Soda
Subject: Support HB 4172 Cancer Presumption Bill

February 17, 2021

Dakota Soda
HB 4122 Committee Clerk
dsoda@house.mi.gov.

Rep Kelly Breen
38th House District
KellyBreen@house.mi.gov

RE: HB 4172 Cancer Presumption Bill

My Name is Jim Coomer and I have been in the fire service for 38 years and currently serve as the Fire Chief for the City of Walled Lake. I am serving a third two-year term as the President of West Oakland County Mutual Aid Association (WOMAA). Most of our members work fulltime jobs in other careers and assist their communities as part time firefighters.

I support HB 4172 Cancer Presumption Bill because, firefighters have a greater risk of developing cancer than the public we serve. Cancer presumption for firefighters should not be limited to career firefighters only and must protect our part time and volunteer firefighters from the 10 specified types of cancer.

The First Responder Presumed Coverage Fund is not funded by state general funds and is not an expansion of the Workers Compensation Act. The addition of all fire fighters would have no fiscal impact on the state. Funding from online gaming legislation has been secured to assist in funding HB 4172 Cancer Presumption Bill.

Please support HB 4172 Cancer Presumption Bill and all firefighters in Michigan that develop cancer as a result of duty related exposure.

Thank you,

**James Coomer, Fire Chief
Walled Lake Fire Department
1499 E. West Maple**

Dakota Soda

From: Amy Dunn <mydunngirls@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:13 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: HB 4172

Please support the bill (HB4172) regarding cancer coverage for firefighters. It will not cost the government anything.
AMY DUNN
196 oak bark drive
Howell 48843

Sent from my iPhone

Dakota Soda

From: bombera@charter.net
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:03 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Good evening Ms. Soda,

My name is Captain Aileen Pettinger with the Saginaw Fire Department.
My address is 2604 Warwick Street, in Saginaw.

I also am a District Vice President for the Michigan Professional
Fire Fighters Union.

I am writing in strong support of HB4172.

Sincerely,
Aileen Pettinger

Dakota Soda

From: Matt Beauchamp <MBeauchamp@comstockmi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 7:46 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Matt Beauchamp
1053 Antler St
Galesburg, MI 49053
I support HB 4172

Thank you,

Matt Beauchamp, MS, CFO, EFO
Fire Chief
Comstock Fire & Rescue
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Dakota Soda

From: Jennifer Whitbeck <jwhitbeck@hartlandareafire.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 7:04 PM
Subject: House Insurance

Dear Representative,

I am writing to you today in regards to the vote happening tomorrow morning for the HB 4172 - Cancer Presumption Bill. Please see my points below and consider voting YES tomorrow morning. I am a firefighter in the state of Michigan and have several co-workers whom have been affected in just the last 6 months and most recently this week due to cancer. Unfortunately it is a battle we may face in our current employment. We love the job we do and the communities we serve. Please help us be able to fight this battle without being weighed down with a financial burden.

Thank you for the consideration and the support of so many whom are afflicted with Cancer in our profession.

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- We have secured funding through restricted revenues coming from the recently passed online gaming legislation.
- Will expand the list of cancers to include breast and ovarian.

Sincerely,

Yours In Fire Safety,

Jenn Whitbeck
Fire Inspector
Hartland Deerfield Fire Authority
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Sincerely,

Yours In Fire Safety,

Jenn Whitbeck
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Dakota Soda

From: eblight@mundytwp-mi.gov
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 5:15 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Hello,

My name is Chief Edward Blight. My home address is 2151 W. Cook Rd. Grand Blanc MI. 48439. My work address is Mundy Township Fire Department, 4011 W. Hill Rd. Swartz Creek MI. 48473.

I support HB 4172. I have been an on call fireman since 1991. We face the same dangers that full time firefighters do and we contract the same disease's that full time firefighters do also. HB 4172 would allow on-call firefighters to be eligible under the first responders presumed coverage fund if they develop one of the 10 specified types of cancers. The first responders presumed coverage fund is NOT funded by state general funds and is not an extension of the workers compensation act. The addition of all firefighters would have no fiscal impact on the state.

Thank you for your consideration,

Edward Blight
Mundy Township Fire Department

Dakota Soda

From: Paul Dove <pldtechnicalservices@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 4:56 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Paul L. Dove
205 Fairfield Drive
Coldwater, MI. 49036

I support HB 4172. I served my communities in the fire service for over 35 years. My colleagues and I have suppressed many devastating fires. The majority of those who entered in the professional fire service as I did, entered for the opportunity of having a career with reasonable security for our families in the event we lost our lives in that service to the public. I have also seen over these years many colleagues and their families suffer from cancer attributed to toxic chemical exposure during that same public service.

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- Funding has been secured through restricted revenues coming from the recently passed online gaming legislation.
- The Bill will expand the list of cancers to include breast and ovarian.

Sincerely,

Paul L. Dove

Sent from my iPhone

Dakota Soda

From: Lee Gould <lgould@nmu.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 3:53 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: Support for HB 4172

Good Afternoon,

My name is Lee Gould. I am at 326 County Road 480 in Marquette MI. I am writing to support House Bill 4172. As a firefighter who in my young career was diagnosed with cancer on this list, I strongly encourage the support of this important bill as I have personally felt the effects of cancer and the monetary and mental hardship it causes. Thank you

~Lee Gould

Dakota Soda

From: Ron Feltz <RFeltz@brucetwp.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 3:37 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House insurance

I support HB 4172

Ron Feltz
Firefighter/Paramedic
Bruce-Romeo Fire Department
685 W. Romeo Rd
Oakland Twp Mich
48363
Sent from my iphone

Dakota Soda

From: Randall Buckman <RBuckman@wbtownship.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 3:10 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Randall Buckman
204 S Alice Ave
Rochester, MI 48307

I Support HB 4172

Cancer has hit very close to home with my wife being diagnosed very young with breast cancer and a very close friend at my fire department being diagnosed with kidney cancer. Both of these people had no previous family history of cancer and no known lifestyle/habitual causes. Watching what they had to go through was very difficult for me and I would hope we can do something to help with any future firefighters having to deal with a cancer diagnoses.

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From: Ronald Farr <rrfarr895@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 2:46 PM
To: Rep. Daire Rendon (District 103); Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance -- Support of HB 4172

Rep. Daire Rendon, Chair and Dakota Soda, Committee Clerk,

As a representative of the Michigan Fire Inspectors Society on the Michigan Fire Coalition I am indicating my support for HB 4172, Cancer Presumption, and requesting your support also.

Name: Ronald Farr
Address: 1226 107th Ave. Otsego, MI 49078

HB 4172

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- This Bill will expand the list of cancers to include breast and ovarian.

I am an active member of the Plainwell Department of Public Safety and have been in the fire service for 53 plus years.

Thank you for your time and support.

Ronald Farr
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Dakota Soda

From: Melissa Bodnar-Brazil <mbodnar07@wowway.com>
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Subject: House bill 4172

M. Bodnar

38894 Winkler Harrison Township MI 48045

I support the HB 4172

Please support HB 4172.

Many of my colleagues suffered immensely for the sacrifices they made in our profession. Some of you may consider our line of work a choice. It's actually a calling. Almost a similar calling many of you had to your calling in government. The difference is firefighting is surrounded by the inevitable fumes, smoke, heat and cancers that come with it. With that; shorter lives and terrible health issues.

Please support HB 4172

If it passed, this bill would allow all firefighters to be eligible under the First Responders Presumed Coverage Fund if they developed one of the 10 specified cancers.

The Fund is not funded by the state general fund and is not an expansion of the Workers compensation Act.

I am hoping this list will be expanded to include breast and ovarian cancer.

Regards-

Retired Fire Marshal with 25 year service as a Professional Firefighter

M. Bodnar

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From: Reid M Vandekerkhove <Reid.Vandekerkhove@troy.mi.gov>
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Subject: House insurance Fire Fighter

Hello I am Reid Vandekerkhove
4627 Butler Troy MI 48085
I support HB 4172

Sincerely
Reid Vandekerkhove
Captain Troy Fire



Dakota Soda

From: Charles J Kniffen <Charles.Kniffen@troymi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 1:35 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

My name is Charles Kniffen and my address is 1723 Oak Forest Drive, Troy Michigan,

I support HB 4172-HB 4172 would allow volunteer, paid-on-call and part time fire fighters to be eligible under the First Responders Presumed Coverage Fund if they develop one of the 10 specified types of cancers.

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Charles Kniffen
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Dakota Soda

From: Terry Kluge <tkluge@ci.lapeer.mi.us>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 1:00 PM
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Subject: Support of HB 4172

It is my understanding that there will be a hearing tomorrow on House Bill (HB) 4172. As I will be unable to attend, please accept this email as indication of my total support of HB 4172.

I am a career chief overseeing a combination department that is predominately staffed with paid-on-call personnel. While our career personnel have been covered for the past several years, HB 4172 would provide for volunteer, paid-on-call and part time fire fighters to also be eligible under the First Responders Presumed Coverage Fund if they develop one of the 10 specified types of cancers. With cancer being the leading cause of firefighter deaths, it is imperative that our volunteer, paid-on-call and part time firefighters also be covered. After all, the dangers faced by firefighters are the same, regardless of their pay status.

Please keep in mind that the First Responders Presumed Coverage Fund is not funded by state general funds and will not be an expansion of the Workers Compensation Act. The addition of all firefighters will have NO FISCAL IMPACT on the state as funding has been secured through restricted revenues coming from the recently passed online gaming legislation.

I respectfully request that you support passage of HB 4172.

Terry Kluge
Fire Chief
City of Lapeer
2300 W Genesee St
Lapeer, MI 48446

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Dakota Soda

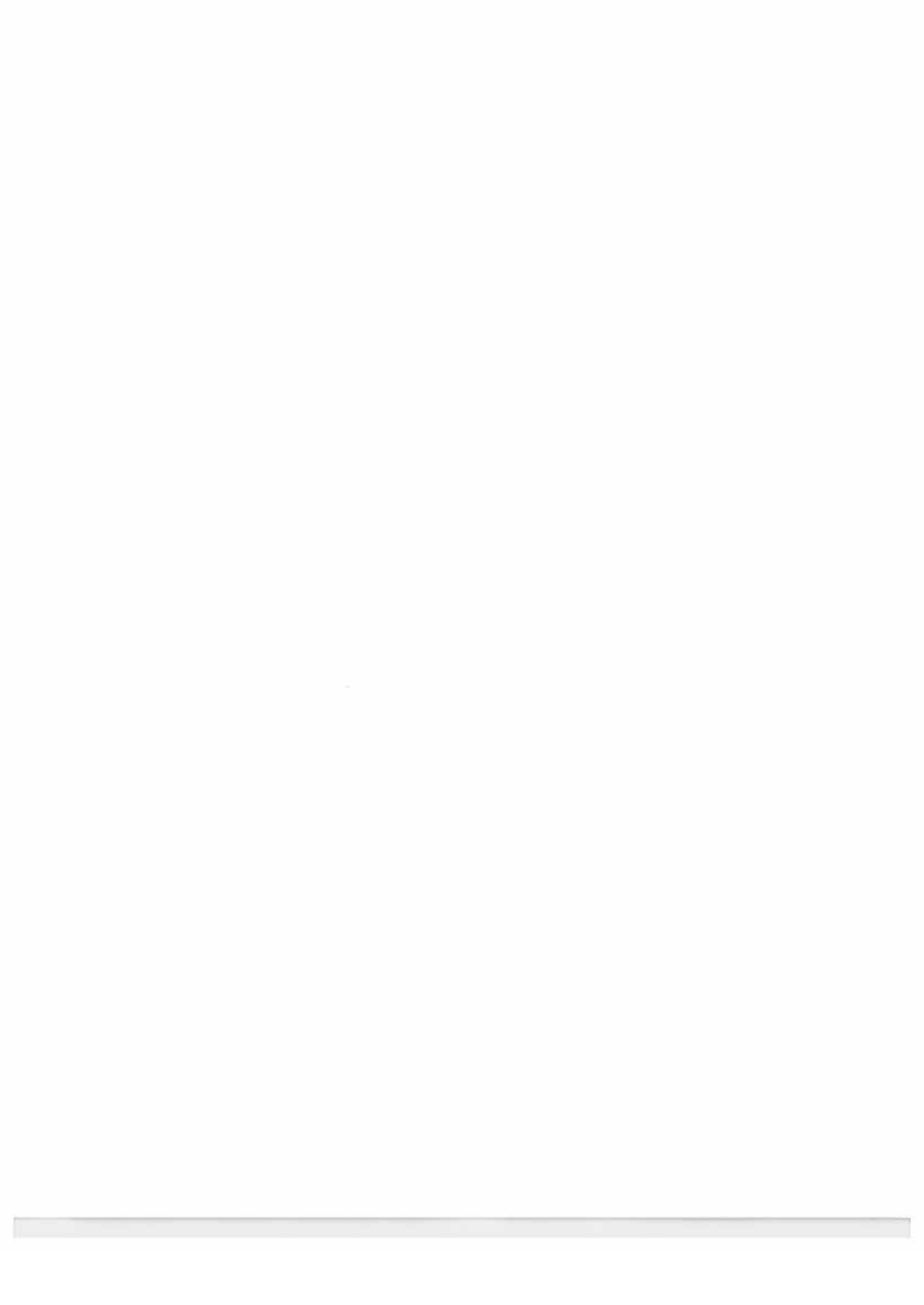
From: jc sicard <atxcreativepainting@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 12:59 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

I am supporting this bill.
Jean Christophe Sicard
413 Greentree Ln NE.
Ada Michigan 49301

I support HB 4172

Regard. JC Sicard

Sent from my iPhone



Dakota Soda

From: chris g <gruenerc@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 11:16 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: HB 4172 Cancer Presumption

Good morning,

I am writing to advocate and express my support on this issue and it's direct effect on me and my family. My name and some basic information related to the bill can be found below.

Chris Gruener (FF Local IAFF Local 5023) 6 years of service
48572 Carmine Ct
Chesterfield MI, 48051
I support HB 4172

Key Points for your review:

- HB 4172 would allow volunteer, paid-on-call and part time fire fighters to be eligible under the First Responders Presumed Coverage Fund if they develop one of the 10 specified types of cancers.
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- We have secured funding through restricted revenues coming from the recently passed online gaming legislation.
- Will expand the list of cancers to include breast and ovarian.

Thank You

Sent from my iPhone

Dakota Soda

From: Kirk P. Wilkinson <k.wilkinson@burtonmi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 11:11 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Clerk Dakota Soda,

My name is Kirk Wilkinson, I am the Fire Chief for the City of Burton located at:

City of Burton Fire Department
Attn: Chief Kirk Wilkinson
1320 S. Belsay Rd.
Burton, MI 48509-2202

I Support HB 4172

The reason I support HB 4172 is because it expands the current Cancer Presumption legislation to include volunteer and paid-on-call firefighters if they develop one of ten specific types of cancer. Fighting fire is a very dangerous job. The fires we fight produce a great amount of toxic chemicals and smoke that are known to contain cancer causing carcinogens. These cancer causing carcinogens do not attack only full-time or career firefighters, matter of tact they do not discriminate at all, they attack all firefighters regardless of their job status.

In addition this bill will also add to the list of specific cancers covered, breast cancer and ovarian cancer. I am sure there are many more cancers out there that could be related to the risk we as firefighters face but any additions to the list is a win. Firefighters work hard to protect our communities and deserve to have some type of protection when they become sick from the contributions they make to those communities.

Additionally, this legislation does not impact the states budget. Funding has been secured through restrictive revenues coming from the recently passed online gaming legislation. There are already dedicated funds.

As cancer becomes a bigger issue for firefighters, we need all the help we can get. We are not asking for a free handout or for the state to take care of us while we do nothing at all. We as an industry are already taking all kinds of measures and training our personnel on how we can reduce our exposure to these cancer causing carcinogens. This HB 4172 is just one small cog in the wheel as we attempt to provide our personnel the support they need in the fight against cancer.

Kirk Wilkinson

Kirk Wilkinson
Fire Chief
City of Burton Fire Department
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Dakota Soda

From: Louis Kepler <ltkffdedipro@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 11:06 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: HB 4172 Cancer Presumption Bill

Attention Committee Clerk: Dakota Soda

My name is : Louis T. Kepler
4839 Venetian Drive
Sterling Heights, MI 48310

I support HB 4172 (re: House Insurance) Cancer Presumption legislation.

Thank you,

Louis T. Kepler
(past member of Imlay City Fire Department - paid on call firefighter)

Dakota Soda

From: David Witgen <DWitgen@brucetwp.org>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:53 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

David Witgen
12943 Boardwalk Dr. Romeo, Mi.48065
I support HB 4172

Dakota Soda

From: Matt Weil <mweil@nocfa.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:35 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Matt Weil
819 Holly Bush Dr, Holly, MI 48442

Dear Clerk Dakota Soda,

I support HB 4172

I am a career and a part paid (paid on Call) Firefighter, I have served our communities for 30 years and continue to do so.

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- Funding is through restricted revenues coming from the recently passed online gaming legislation.
- Will expand the list of cancers to include breast and ovarian.

Please support and pass this important legislation to help not only protect us but the ones we leave behind when that ultimate sacrifice is made.

Respectfully,

Matt Weil

Asst. Chief Matt Weil CFI

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Dakota Soda

From: Logan Campbell <lcampbell@nocfa.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:32 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Logan Campbell

861 Deer Valley

I support HB 4172

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Dakota Soda

From: Dokter, Eric <edokter@grand-rapids.mi.us>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:30 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Eric Dokter
1632 Margaret SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49507

I support HB 4172

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Eric (Ric) Dokter



Eric (Ric) Dokter | Fire Marshal
Grand Rapids Fire Department
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Dakota Soda

From: David McGee <mcgeed@macomb-mi.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:22 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: HB 4172 - Cancer Presumption

Good morning,

I am writing to advocate and express my support on this issue and it's direct effect on me and my family. My name and some basic information related to the bill can be found below.

David McGee (FF Local IAFF Local 5023) 13 years of service
32698 Thatcher St
New Haven MI 48048

I support HB 4172

Key Points for your review:

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Thanks!

David A. McGee

"Facta, non verba"

Firefighter/EMT #12

Station #3

47711 North Ave.

Macomb Township, MI 48044

313.590.4029 cell

Dakota Soda

From: nbrink@alleganfiredistrict.org
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 10:12 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Nicholas Brink
591 Lake Dr. Allegan, MI 49010
I Support HB 4172

Please help us, the firefighter of Michigan by supporting HB 4172. There are a lot of benefits for First Responders that will assist Michigan Firefighters.

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Respectfully

Nicholas Brink
Fire Chief
Allegan Fire District

Dakota Soda

From: Carrie Edwards-Clemons <cedwards-clemons@cityofflint.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 9:46 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Carrie Edwards-Clemons
607 E. 2nd Ave. #604
Flint, MI 48502

I support HB 4172

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Carrie Edwards-Clemons
Deputy Chief
City of Flint Fire Department
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Dakota Soda

From: Jay Kleinhardt <jaykleinhardt@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 17, 2021 8:22 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: HB4172

JAY KLEINHARDT supports HB 4172. 5084 S Cornwell Ave, Clare Mi. 48617. 46 year member of CLARE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Dakota Soda

From: Jim Williams <jwilliams@texasfire.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 6:12 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: Support HB 4172

Dear Honorable Representatives of the State of Michigan.

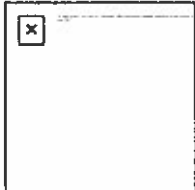
As a member of Michigan Fire Service I have seen many of my co-workers stricken with cancer. This has not been an easy process for many of them.

I respectfully encourage you as a member of the House to vote in support of HB 4172. This bill is the right thing to do. Providing coverage not only to men and women that are career based first responders but also those that provide their service as a volunteer or paid on call which protects the majority of Michigan.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Jim Williams, Deputy Chief
Texas Fire Department
7110 W. Q Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI 49009
(269) 375-4610 station
(269) 217-3986 mobile



Texas Charter Township Fire Department

Phone: 269-375-4610

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Kalamazoo, MI 49009

Dakota Soda

From: R Ballerini <ballerini255@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 1:14 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House bill 4172

Ronald Ballerini
653 Southshore Drive
Oxford, Mi. 48371

I support
House Bill 4172

Sent from my iPhone



Dakota Soda

From: Kevin <mysnowy70@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 7:37 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House insurance

I'm in support of this bill im in my 3 rd year of battling cancer and if it wasn't for this bill me and my family financially would not be able to afford my treatments I'm so great full for this presumption bill. Please from the bottom of my heart keep this bill in place .

Sent from my iPhone

Dakota Soda

From: Borreson, Keith <kborreso@grand-rapids.mi.us>
Sent: Tuesday, February 16, 2021 6:07 AM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Keith Borreson
3092 Thornapple River DR SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

I support HB 4172

Dakota Soda

From: tchesney@mpffu.org
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2021 8:51 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance HB 4172

I support HB 4172

Terrence H Chesney
2075 Oakwood Ct.
Trenton MI 48183

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734-775-7077 (cell)



Dakota Soda

From: Michael Zlotek <zlotekm@mail.lcc.edu>
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2021 6:00 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House Insurance

Michael Zlotek

1360 Essex Center Road

Saint Johns MI 48879

I support HB 4172



Dakota Soda

From: Nolan Anderer <nolanderer@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, February 15, 2021 12:57 PM
To: Dakota Soda
Subject: House insurance

Hello,
My name is Nolan Anderer, my address is 9691 Wicklow Hill Ct, Fenton MI 48430. I support HB4172.

Thank you

