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**HB 2270 – Modifying the distribution of the levy on fire insurance business premiums to the state fire marshal fee fund, the emergency medical services operating fund and the fire service training program fund.**

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**Proponent Testimony – Written Only**

Chairman Francis and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 2270.

As mentioned in the State Fire Marshal's budget testimony before this committee, annually, a budget proviso is requested to ensure that no more than \$100,000 of the levy on fire insurance business premiums remitted to the Commissioner of Insurance is credited to the state general fund for accounting, auditing, budgeting, legal, payroll, personnel, and purchasing services performed on behalf of the State Fire Marshal's Office, the Emergency Medical Services Board, and the Fire Service Training Program.

HB 2270 simply eliminates the need for that annual proviso to be added by placing the language into statute.

The Emergency Medical Services Board thanks the Legislature for adding this proviso annually over the previous years and we believe that the successful passage of HB 2270 affords this intent to continue without having the additional workload each year.

We urge your support of HB 2270 and its favorable passage. Thank you for your time and consideration.