

603. The County Commissioners of Prince George's County are hereby authorized and directed to appropriate and levy annually the sum of Forty-two Thousand Dollars (\$42,000.00) for the use of the Prince George's County Volunteer Fire Association. Said sum shall be paid annually to the Treasurer of said Association, and Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$7,200.00) thereof shall be disbursed by him to the Bladensburg Rescue Squad, \$1,600, Glendale Rescue Squad, \$1,150.00, Marlboro Rescue Squad, \$1,150.00, Brentwood Rescue Squad, \$900.00, Branchville Rescue Squad, \$1,400.00 District Heights Rescue Squad, \$1,000.00 and said total of Forty-two Thousand Dollars (\$42,000.00) shall be disbursed by him only on order of the Board of Directors of said Association to the member companies, departments or rescue squads of said Association, only for the purpose of purchasing, repairing and maintaining apparatus and equipment; provided, however, that no payment shall be made to any company or department which has resolution or regulation limiting the territory within which it will respond to calls and provided further that before any new volunteer fire association, company or corporation must receive the approval of the County Commissioners. Before the County Commissioners shall be required to pay the aforesaid sum of money to the said Fire Association, the Commissioners shall have the power to require the officers of said Association to appear before them and show to the satisfaction of said Commissioners that all sums of money paid by the said Commissioners to the said Association under this sub-title have been expended for the purposes set forth in this sub-title, and also that all member companies are active fire fighting or rescue squad organizations with equipment in proper working order. Provided, however, that no fire company nor rescue squad not now in existence may be organized in Prince George's County Volunteer Firemen's Association and the Board of County Commissioners of the County.

605. The Treasurer of Prince George's County Volunteer Fire Association shall give bond to the County Commissioners of Prince George's County in the penal sum of Forty-two Thousand Dollars (\$42,000.00) for the faithful performance of his duties hereunder.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1947.

Approved April 25, 1947.