Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars; to the Ridgely Fire Company of Ridgely, Maryland, the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars.

Be it further enacted, That the County Commissioners of Caroline County be and the same are hereby authorized, directed and empowered to levy the said sum of Eight Hundred (\$800.00) Dollars annually for the above purpose on the assessable property of said Caroline County. Before the County Commissioners shall be required to pay the aforesaid sums of money to the respective fire companies, the said commissioners shall have the power to require the officers of said fire companies to appear before them and show to the satisfaction of said commissioners that any sums of money paid by the said Commissioners to the said fire companies under this Act have been expended for the purposes set forth in this Act, and also that said respective fire companies are active fire fighting organizations. In the event any of the fire companies hereinbefore mentioned cease to remain active fire fighting organizations, or have not used the moneys appropriated to them for the sole purposes set forth in this Act, then the County Commissioners are authorized and directed to pay to the other volunteer fire companies mentioned in this Act, in equal proportions the unexpended moneys in the hands of the said County Commissioners.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect from the first day of June, 1927.

Approved April 1, 1927.

CHAPTER 271.

AN ACT to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County to increase the salary of the clerk of the County Commissioners in an amount not to exceed in any one year the sum of Twenty-four hundred dollars (\$2,400.00), said salary to be paid monthly.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel