

CHAPTER 408.

AN ACT to provide for the payment by the County Commissioners of Garrett County, Maryland, to the Oakland Volunteer Fire Department, so long as said fire department remains an active fire fighting organization, the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) annually for its benefit and for certain purposes, and to levy said amount on the assessable property of said County, and to provide for the date on which said payment shall be made.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the County Commissioners of Garrett County be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to pay the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) annually to the Oakland Volunteer Fire Department, so long as said fire department remains an active fire fighting organization, for its benefit, said sum of money to be used by the said fire department for the purchase, repair or maintenance of fire fighting equipment.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That said payment shall be made on the first day of September in each and every year by the County Commissioners of Garrett County.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the County Commissioners of Garrett County be and the same are hereby authorized, directed and empowered to levy the said sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) annually for the above purpose on the assessable property of said County. Before the County Commissioners shall be required to pay the aforesaid sum of money, the said Commissioners shall have the power to require the officers of said fire department 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 department under this Act have been expended for the purposes set forth in this Act, and also that said fire department is an active fire fighting organization. In the event said fire department hereinbefore mentioned ceases to remain an active fire fighting organization, or has not used the moneys appropriated to it for the sole purposes set forth in this Act, then this Act shall become null and void.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1927.

Approved April 5, 1927.