

panies in said Worcester County; and providing for the distribution and expenditure of the funds so raised.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the County Commissioners of Worcester County be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to levy annually, at the time for making their regular levy for county taxes, a special tax of one cent on each one hundred dollars of assessable property in said Worcester County, the funds so raised to be distributed and expended by the said County Commissioners of Worcester County for the assistance, maintenance and support of the various incorporated volunteer fire companies in said Worcester County as hereinafter more particularly set forth.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted as aforesaid,* That the funds so raised by the levy of taxes as aforesaid shall be distributed and expended by the County Commissioners of Worcester County in the manner following, that is to say: Three-fourths of the said funds so raised shall be equally divided among the incorporated volunteer fire companies in the towns of Ocean City, Berlin, Snow Hill, Stockton and Pocomoke City and shall be paid to said companies on or before the first day of February next succeeding the date on which said taxes shall be levied; the remaining one-fourth of the funds so raised by taxation as aforesaid shall be expended by the said County Commissioners of Worcester County in their discretion in the assistance, maintenance and support of any volunteer fire company or companies in said Worcester County which shall organize and incorporate subsequent to March 1st, 1929, provided, however, that any of the funds levied and raised under this Act which may remain unexpended in the hands of the said County Commissioners on the last day of the fiscal year for which said taxes shall have been levied shall be distributed by the said County Commissioners equally among all of the incorporated volunteer fire companies in said Worcester County.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted as aforesaid,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1929.

Approved April 11, 1929.