

CHAPTER 260.

AN ACT to repeal Sections 17 to 20, both inclusive of Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "State Aid and Charities," sub-title "Volunteer Firemen," and to enact in lieu thereof five new sections said new sections to be known as Sections 17 to 20A, both inclusive, and to follow immediately after Section 17 of said Article, providing for pensions for disabled volunteer firemen, their widows and dependent children, education for the dependent children of permanently disabled and deceased volunteer firemen and for an appropriation to carry the provisions thereof into effect.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 17 to 20, both inclusive, of Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "State Aid and Charities," sub-title "Volunteer Firemen," be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That five new sections be and they are hereby added to Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1924 Edition), title "State Aid and Charities," sub-title "Volunteer Firemen," said new sections to be known as Sections 17 to 20A, both inclusive of said Article and to read as follows:

17. Whenever any volunteer firemen in good standing of an incorporated volunteer fire company in the State of Maryland, shall be temporarily or permanently disabled as a direct result from active participation in fighting a fire or while going to or from a fire, the said fireman shall lay his case before the Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Firemen's Association, supported in all cases by the recommendation of the fire company of which he is a member, and the Board of Trustees aforesaid shall proceed to consider the same, and if the facts are found as above stated, the name of the firemen shall be placed on a list to be kept by the Secretary of the Maryland State Firemen's Association, to be known as "Disabled Firemen's List," and every person so placed on said list shall be entitled to receive a pension from the Maryland Firemen's Association in a sum, the amount of which shall be decided upon by the Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Firemen's Association and to be paid out of its treasury at such times and in such instalments and in such amounts as the said Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Firemen's Association may decide, during the period he is so disabled or so long as said pensioner is without other means of comfortable support.