

CHAPTER 352.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 189 of the Acts of 1931, as repealed and re-enacted by Chapter 173 of the Acts of 1933, increasing the annual appropriation for the Prince George's County Volunteer Fire Association and the bond of the Treasurer thereof.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 2 and 4 of Chapter 189 of the Acts of 1931, as repealed and re-enacted by Chapter 173 of the Acts of 1933, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

2. The County Commissioners of Prince George's County be and they are hereby authorized and directed to appropriate and levy annually the sum of sixteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$16,500) 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 fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500) thereof shall be disbursed by him in equal shares to the Rescue Squads of Bladensburg, Glendale and Upper Marlboro and said total sum of sixteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$16,500) 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 any 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 shall share in said appropriation, said 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 said 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 Act have been expended for the purposes set forth in this Act, and also that all member companies are active fire fighting or rescue squad organizations with equipment in proper working order.