

tion to be known as Section 37A and to follow immediately after Section 37 of said Article, relating to the creation and operation of a pension system for the members of the Fire Department of the City of Cumberland.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section be and it is hereby added to Article 1A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "City of Cumberland", sub-title "Police and Fire", said new section to be known as Section 37A, to follow immediately after Sections 37 of said Article, and to read as follows:

37A. (a) There is hereby created a Board to be known as The Fire Department Pension Fund Board, composed of six members, for the regulation, control and distribution of the pension Fund set up under this Section. Said Board shall consist of the Mayor, the Commissioner of Police and Fire, the City Auditor and three members of the Department of Fire; one to be elected from among the officers and two to be elected from among the ranks by the participants of the fund as they are hereinafter defined.

(b) The Commissioner of Police and Fire shall be the President of the Board and the City Solicitor shall be its Attorney, for which there shall be no additional compensation.

(c) The elective members of the Board shall be elected either by direct vote or by proxy, at the regular April meeting of the Board.

(d) There shall be a secretary elected annually by the Board from among its members, and it shall be his duty to keep an accurate record of the minutes of all regular and special meetings held by said Board, and perform all and any other duties which the Board may, from time to time, direct. Said Secretary may be paid a salary at such time and in such amount as the Board may, in its discretion, determine, and said salary, if any be paid, shall be paid from the pension fund.

(e) The participants of the fund shall include all members now or hereafter accredited as members of the Department of Fire. Extra and probationary members shall be eligible to membership in this fund and shall be credited for pension and pay for actual days served in the Department. Regular, probationary and extra, members shall serve at least fifteen days in each month and appear on both semi-monthly payrolls of the Department in said month, in order to be credited for one month's service for pension under this fund.

(f) Any member of the Department of Fire, accredited to this fund, shall, under the regulations hereinafter prescribed, be retired from the service of the Department of Fire of the