in the Election District wherein the said Fire Company or companies are located.

- The County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County are hereby authorized and empowered to pay the sum of Forty-four Thousand Dollars (\$44,000.00) to the several Volunteer Fire Companies for the purchase, maintenance, operation and replacement reserve for fire fighting equipment, truck quarters and chauffeurs dormitories, provided, however, that the tax levied in the City of Annapolis shall be paid to the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Annapolis, who shall pay the same to the several volunteer fire companies of the City of Annapolis, for the purchase, maintenance and replacement reserve for fire fighting equipment only; no money shall be spent for parade or dress uniforms or for any other purpose than provided in this sub-title. No such payment shall be made unless the fire fighting apparatus is property equipped with the necessary fire fighting appliances for the protection of the area in which they operate. No Volunteer Fire Company shall receive any payments under this subtitle, unless it is equipped with the fire alarm system, approved by the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County and the Mayor and Alderman of the City of Annapolis for the Sixth District of Anne Arundel County.
- (a) The County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County shall appoint and dismiss, upon the recommendation of the said Volunteer Fire Companies, two chauffeurs for each of said companies, and in addition thereto, the necessary relief chauffeurs to substitute for the regular chauffeurs when the latter are off on vacation or sick, as hereinafter provided. The County Commissioners are hereby directed to levy a special tax in each Election District, sufficient to pay the salaries of the chauffeurs and relief chauffeurs of the several Volunteer Fire Companies and to pay the salary of each chauffeur and relief chauffeur from the tax levied in the Election District in which the Volunteer Fire Department employing the chauffeur or relief chauffeur is located. The salary for each chauffeur shall, after July 1, 1947, be \$2,100.00 per year, payable in equal monthly installments, except that any such chauffeur employed on June 1, 1947 shall, from and after that date, receive not less than \$2,400.00 per year; provided further, that any chauffeur beginning at a salary of \$2,100.00 per year after June 1, 1947, shall be paid \$100.00 additional for each year of service thereafter, subject to said maximum of \$2,400.00 per year.