

may be inmates of said Almshouse, or those who thereafter may be committed thereto, at a cost not exceeding Two Hundred Dollars each per annum. The County Commissioners may sell or let any part of said almshouse property except the almshouse itself on any terms and for any period as the County Commissioners may think desirable, so long as the efficient use of the almshouse for the maintenance and support of paupers is not thereby impaired. Any sales or leases of such property made in the past by the County Commissioners are hereby expressly ratified and confirmed.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved April 22, 1949.

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## CHAPTER 386

(House Bill 503)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "St. Mary's County", said section to be under a new sub-title "Fire Companies", and to be known as Section 72, to follow immediately after Section 71 of said Article, relating to payments by the County Commissioners to active volunteer fire departments in St. Mary's County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new section be and it is hereby added to Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "St. Mary's County", said section to be under a new sub-title "Fire Companies", and to be known as Section 72, to follow immediately after Section 71 of said Article, and to read as follows:

### FIRE COMPANIES

72. The County Commissioners are authorized to pay annually from general county funds to each active volunteer fire company in St. Mary's County a sum not exceeding \$700.00 per company.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1949.

Approved April 22, 1949.