pose of insuring houses and other property, and were ac- CHAP. 372. tuated therein by the wants of the community, and for the purpose of securing to themselves whatever benefit

is derived from similar associations: Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That John Dukehart, of the Mechanical; Thomas W. Levering, of the Union; Daniel Super, of the Friendship; Samuel S. Briggs, of the Deptford; James A. May, of the Liberty; John Rodgers, of the Independent; Charles C. Egerton, Jr., of the Vigilant; Charles McDonald, of the New Market; Henry W. S. Evans, of the Columbian; J. Hamilton Goll, of the First Baltimore; Anthony Whittenberger, of the United; James Young, of the Franklin; Jesse Hunt, of the Washington; Andrew E. Warner, of the Patapsco; Francis A. Miller, of the Howard; Henry E. Barton, Jr, of the Watchman, and John Pickell, of the Lafayette, fire and hose companies, and Thomas M. Locke, of the Baltimore United Fire Department, together with the subscribers to the stock of the association, and their successors shall be, and they are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of the Presis dent and Directors of the Association of Active Firemen, in the city of Baltimore, and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and be capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended, in all courts of law or equity or elsewhere, and to make and use one common scal, and the same to alter or renew at their pleasure, and generally to do and perform all things relative to the objects of this association, which now is or shall be lawful for any individual or body politic or corporate to do.

SEC 2. And be it enacted, That the capital stock of Capital stock the association shall be one hundred and twenty-five \$25,000. thousand dollars, divided into one hundred thousand shares, at one dollar and twenty-five cents each share, with the privilege of increasing, until the same shall reach a sum not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars; the said sum of one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars to be paid in the following instalments, viz: twenty-five cents shall be paid on each share at the time of subscribing, sixty days after such subscription and payment, a further instalment of ten cents shall be paid on each share; four months after the first subscription and payment, a further instalment of ten cents shall be paid on each share; six months after the first subscription and payment, a further instalment of ten cents shall

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