

Edition), title "State Department of Public Welfare", sub-title "Volunteer Firemen", relating to the contingencies whereupon benefits are payable because of death or disability of a volunteer fireman and providing for the payment of such benefits where a volunteer fireman participates in ambulance or rescue squad work.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 38, 39 and 41 of Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "State Department of Public Welfare", sub-title "Volunteer Firemen", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

38. Whenever any volunteer fireman in good standing of an incorporated volunteer fire company in the State of Maryland, shall be temporarily or permanently disabled as a direct result from active participation in fighting a fire or while going to or from a fire, or performing any [other duties necessary to the operation or maintenance of the fire company] ~~necessary duties relating to actual fire fighting, or actively participating in the ambulance or rescue squad work of an incorporated volunteer fire company in the State of Maryland,~~ the said fireman shall lay his case before the Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Firemen's Association, supported in all cases by the recommendation of the fire company of which he is a member, and the Board of Trustees aforesaid shall proceed to consider the same, and if the facts are found as above stated, the name of the fireman shall be placed on a list to be kept by the Secretary of the Maryland State Firemen's Association, to be known as "Disabled Firemen's List", and every person so placed on said list shall be entitled to receive a pension from the Maryland Firemen's Association in a sum, the amount of which shall be decided upon by the Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Firemen's Association and to be paid out of its treasury at such times and in such instalments and in such amounts as the said Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Firemen's Association may decide, during the period he is so disabled or so long as said pensioner is without other means of comfortable support.

39. In case of the death of any volunteer fireman by accident resulting from the active participation in fighting a fire or while going to or from a fire, or performing any [other duties necessary to the operation or maintenance of the fire company] ~~necessary duties relating to actual fire fighting or actively participating in the ambulance or rescue work of an incorporated volunteer fire company in the State of Maryland,~~ and he leaves a widow or a dependent child or children, the case shall be laid before the Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Firemen's Association, and if the facts are established as provided in Section 38, the widow and child, or children as the case may be, shall be placed on said "Disabled Firemen's List", and the widow shall be entitled to receive a pension from the Maryland State Firemen's Association in a sum, the amount of which shall be decided upon by the Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Firemen's Association, and to be paid out of its treasury at such times and in such instalments and in such amount as the said Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Firemen's Association may decide, during widowhood, and each of the children of the said deceased firemen shall receive a pension from the Maryland State Firemen's Association in a sum the amount of which shall be decided upon by