

(b) *The County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County are hereby authorized and directed to levy for the year 1960 and annually thereafter a fire tax of two cents on every One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of ON OF 3¢ ON EVERY ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS OF the assessed value of all real and personal property located in the First and Second Election Districts. IN THE FIRST ELECTION DISTRICT THE AMOUNT OF THE FIRE TAX SHALL BE THREE CENTS (3¢) ON EVERY ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) OF THE ASSESSED VALUE. IN THE SECOND ELECTION DISTRICT THE AMOUNT OF THE FIRE TAX SHALL BE FIVE CENTS (5¢) ON EVERY ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS OF THE ASSESSED VALUE.*

(c) *The said fire tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as other State and County taxes are levied and collected.*

(d) *The proceeds of said fire tax from each election district, respectively, shall be paid by the County Commissioners semi-annually on June 30 and December 31 of each year, in equal portions, to each of the volunteer fire companies located in that election district that have been approved by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Anne Arundel County and which have been approved, accepted and recognized by the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County, and which are otherwise eligible to receive public funds.*

332R. *The funds received by the volunteer fire companies specified in Section 332Q shall be used for the purpose of purchasing, repairing, replacing, operating and maintaining their fire fighting equipment and apparatus, and other vehicles, and the housing of the same; provided, however, that no payment or disbursement of any said funds shall be made by any such fire company or the treasurer thereof without the approval of its Board of Directors. The amount and type of equipment of each of said fire companies shall conform to the standards prescribed by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Anne Arundel County; and no resolution, regulation, or by-law shall be passed by any of the said volunteer fire companies limiting or restricting the territory within the said Election District within which it will respond to emergency or fire calls.*

332S. *In the event that any one or more of the said volunteer fire companies shall cease to be an active fire fighting organization, or if the funds provided for herein are not used for the purposes set forth in this sub-heading, or if restrictive rules, regulations or by-laws are adopted by any one or more of the said volunteer fire companies with respect to the area within which such company or companies will respond to emergency or fire calls within the said First or Second Election Districts, as the case may be, then, and in any of said events, the said County Commissioners shall cease to pay any part of the money derived from the special fire tax provided for in this sub-heading to such company or companies so affected.*

332T. *The Treasurer of each of the said respective volunteer fire companies shall give bond to the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County in a penal sum to be set by the said County Commissioners, conditioned upon the faithful expenditures of the funds derived hereunder.*

SEC. 1A. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT BEFORE THIS ACT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IN EITHER THE