

SUPPLEMENT, BEING ARTICLE 9 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND), TITLE "CHARLES COUNTY", SUB-TITLE "FIRE COMPANIES", AND TO ENACT IN THEIR STEAD NEW SECTIONS 120, 121, 121A, 121B, 121C and 121D, TO BE UNDER THE SAME TITLE AND SUB-TITLE, PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF AN ANNUAL FIRE TAX IN CHARLES COUNTY, ITS DISTRIBUTION, CREATING A BOARD OF FIRE AND RESCUE COMMISSIONERS, ESTABLISHING ITS MEMBERSHIP AND STATING THE TERMS AND COMPENSATION OF THE MEMBERS, AND GIVING THE BOARD AUTHORITY TO DISBURSE THE PROCEEDS OF THE TAX.

*SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 120, 120A, 121, 122 and 122A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Charles County (1962 Supplement, being Article 9 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Charles County", sub-title "Fire Companies", be and they are hereby repealed, and to enact in lieu thereof to stand in their stead new Sections 120, 121, 121A, 121B, 121C, 121D and 122, to be under the same title and sub-title, and to read as follows:*

SEC. 1. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT SECTIONS 120 AND 121 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF CHARLES COUNTY (1962 SUPPLEMENT, BEING ARTICLE 9 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND), TITLE "CHARLES COUNTY", SUB-TITLE "FIRE COMPANIES", BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY REPEALED; AND THAT NEW SECTIONS 120, 121, 121A, 121B, 121C AND 121D BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY ENACTED IN THEIR STEAD, TO BE UNDER THE SAME TITLE AND SUB-TITLE, AND TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

120.

*(a) The County Commissioners of Charles County are hereby authorized and directed to levy for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1965, and annually thereafter, a fire tax at such rate as may be required to produce an amount sufficient to sustain the various volunteer fire departments in the county. Such tax shall be levied on the assessed value of all taxable real and personal property in Charles County.*

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

*(c) The proceeds collected from said County Fire Tax shall thereafter be paid by the County Commissioners semi-annually, June 30th and December 31st of each year to all the Fire Departments in Charles County in such amounts as they may deem advisable on the basis of area served, number of calls answered and similar standards as may be suggested by the Charles County Volunteer Firemen's Association.*

(C) THE PROCEEDS COLLECTED FROM SAID COUNTY FIRE TAX SHALL THEREAFTER BE PAID BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SEMI-ANNUALLY JUNE 30 AND DECEMBER 31 OF EACH YEAR TO ALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS IN CHARLES COUNTY. THE AMOUNT OF THE PROCEEDS