

CHAPTER 693

(Senate Bill 297)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 120, 121B, AND 121C ~~and 122 (a)~~ of the Code of Public Local Laws of Charles County (1964 Supplement, being Article 9 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Charles County", sub-title "Fire Companies", Sections 120, 121B and 121C thereof having been added by Chapter 887 of the Acts of 1963 and Section 122 thereof having been last amended by Chapter 739 of the Acts of 1963; and to repeal Section 121 of said title and sub-title as added by Chapter 887 of the Acts of 1963 and to enact new Section 121 in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section repealed, and to add new Section 121E to said title and sub-title to follow immediately after Section 121D thereof, as added by Chapter 887 of the Acts of 1963; to establish a fire tax rate to be applied in assessing taxable property in Charles County, the dates of payment of the proceeds thereof and the date of commencement of such payments and specifying the minimum annual amount to be paid thereunder, to ~~provide for the continuation of certain~~ MAKE payments to designated fire departments and specifying the dates of payment, to add two rescue squads to those presently receiving payments from Charles County, to require that certain financial statements be submitted to the Board of Fire and Rescue Commissioners of Charles County and that certain expenditures be first approved by such Board and by the County Commissioners of Charles County and providing that payments may be withheld in the event of failure to comply, and relating generally to the subject of fire companies in Charles County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 120, 121B, AND 121C ~~and 122 (a)~~ of the Code of Public Local Laws of Charles County (1964 Supplement, being Article 9 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Charles County", sub-title "Fire Companies", as Sections 120, 121B and 121C thereof having been added by Chapter 887 of the Acts of 1963 and Section 122 thereof having been last amended by Chapter 739 of the Acts of 1963, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments; that Section 121 of said title and sub-title as added by Chapter 887 of the Acts of 1963, be and it is hereby repealed, and that new Section 121 be and it is hereby enacted in lieu thereof, to stand in the place of the section so repealed; that new Section 121E be and it is hereby added to said title and sub-title to follow immediately after Section 121D thereof, as added by Chapter 887 of the Acts of 1963, and all to read as follows:

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(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.] *at the rate of Ten Cents (10¢) per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of assessed value.* Such tax shall be levied on the assessed value of all taxable real and personal property in Charles County.