being Article 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Cecil County" subtitle "County Commissioners," as last amended by Chapter 215 of the Acts of 1968; to increase the total amount of money appropriated by the County Commissioners of Cecil County to the several fire companies within the county effective July 1, 1970, to provide for the distribution of this additional money, to continue the existing appropriations for the fiscal year 1969-1970, and to make other changes in the law relating to volunteer fire companies.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 118 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Cecil County (1961 Edition, being Article 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Cecil County," subtitle "County Commissioners," as last amended by Chapter 215 of the Acts of 1968, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments to read as follows:

118.

Effective July 1, 1970, [The] the County Commissioners of Cecil County are hereby directed to levy on the assessable property in Cecil County, annually the sum of Thirty-six Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$36,600.00) equivalent to five cents (\$.05) per hundred dollars of assessed valuation of taxable property within the county for the purpose of assisting in the maintenance and operation of nine volunteer fire companies in Cecil County [, in the following amounts;]. Of this sum Thirty-six Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$36,600.00) shall be allocated among the nine volunteer fire companies in the amounts listed below. The amount remaining after deducting the Thirty-six Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$36,600.00) shall be allocated among the nine volunteer fire companies in the exact proportion which the assessed valuation of taxable property within the district served by each volunteer fire company bears to the assessed valuation of taxable property within the county. The district served by each volunteer fire company shall be determined by the Mutual Fire Aid Association of Cecil County and the assessed valuation of taxable property within each district shall be certified by the Supervisor of Assessments for Cecil County based on the date of finality prior to the fiscal year in which the distribution is to be made. [Provided, that in] In order to be eligible for any [of the following amounts of the funds provided for in this section, each of the [said] nine volunteer fire companies named herein shall meet the minimum specifications and standards [for the approval laid down by the Harford and Cecil County Volunteer Fireman's Association approved by the Mutual Fire Aid Association of Cecil County.

Cecilton Fire Company, Inc., \$3,100. Hack's Point Fire Company, \$2,400. Charlestown Fire Company, Inc. \$3,000 and \$1,000.00 for the ambulance. Chesapeake City Fire Company \$3,200 and \$1,000 for the ambulance. Singerly Fire Company of Elkton, \$4,200 for operation and maintenance and \$1,000 for the ambulance. North East Fire Company, \$3,600 and \$1,000 for the ambulance. Community Fire Company of Perryville, \$2,900 and \$1,000 for the ambulance. Water Witch Fire Company at Port Deposit, \$3,600 and \$1,000 for the ambulance. Rising Sun Fire Company, \$3,600 and \$1,000 for the ambulance.