

“Application of Article; Extra-Hazardous Employments,” be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(c) The county commissioners of Kent County and *County Council of* Howard County shall secure compensation to volunteer firemen [in case of death,] or to their dependents *in case of death* OF SUCH FIREMEN, by insuring the payment of such compensation in the State Accident Fund or in any private stock corporation or mutual association authorized to provide such insurance. The County Commissioners of Prince George’s County and the County Council of Anne Arundel County shall secure compensation to volunteer firemen, or to their dependents in case of death, by insuring the payment of such compensation in the State Accident Fund or in any private stock company or mutual association licensed to provide such insurance. The County Commissioners of Kent County shall annually levy upon the assessable property of Kent County a tax sufficient to pay for such insurance. The County [Commissioners] *Council of* Howard County shall annually levy upon the assessable property of Howard County a tax sufficient to pay for such insurance. Provided, however, that the active members of the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company shall be limited to seventy-five members, the active members of the Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company shall be limited to sixty active members, the active members of the Betterton Volunteer Fire Company shall be limited to fifty active members, and the active members of each of the volunteer fire companies of Kent County shall be limited to forty active members, and that any rescue squad in Kent County shall be limited to a maximum of twenty-five members and the active members of each of the volunteer fire companies in Howard County shall be limited to seventy-five active members, and only active members shall be covered by the provisions of this section. The County Commissioners of Prince George’s County shall pay 40 percent of the cost of such insurance to each volunteer fire company or volunteer rescue squad company and the volunteer fire company or volunteer rescue squad company shall pay 60 percent of the cost of said insurance; and the County Commissioners of Prince George’s County shall annually levy upon the assessable property of Prince George’s County a tax sufficient to pay for such portion of the cost of such insurance.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

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CHAPTER 637
(House Bill 1339)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 30A of Article 26 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Replacement