

of said bonds purchased or redeemed in advance of maturity; empowering said County to apply to the payment of principal and interest of said bonds and said refunding bonds any funds received from the State of Maryland and the United States of America, which may be properly allocable to said purpose; empowering said County to provide that the principal and interest of said bonds may be paid primarily from proceeds of the fire taxes levied under the provisions of subtitle 32 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1963 Edition and 1967 Supplement, as amended, being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland); empowering and directing said County to contract to levy and to levy, impose and collect annually ad valorem taxes which, in addition to any state and federal funds and fire taxes allocated to the purpose, will provide funds sufficient for the payment of said maturing principal and interest; empowering said County to impose such other terms and conditions on the disbursement of the proceeds of the bonds as said County may determine by resolution; exempting said bonds and said refunding bonds and the interest thereon from all State, county and municipal taxation in the State of Maryland; providing that the power to incur indebtedness and issue bonds therefor under the provisions of this Act is additional and alternative authority for borrowing money and shall be regarded as supplemental and additional to powers conferred upon the County by other laws.

*SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That, as used herein, the term "County" shall mean the body politic and corporate of the State of Maryland known as the County Commissioners for Prince George's County, and the term "fire engine houses" shall mean and include the construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, repair and modernization of fire engine houses or buildings for use as fire engine houses in Prince George's County, including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary permanent furnishings, fixed permanent equipment and fire fighting equipment, rescue equipment and apparatus and training facilities therefor.

*SEC. 2. And be it further enacted,* That, the County is hereby authorized and empowered to finance the construction of fire engine houses, as defined in Section 1 of this Act, for the use of those fire companies for which taxes are levied pursuant to subtitle 32 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County, (1963 Edition and 1967 Supplement, as amended, being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland). In order to make such financing possible, said County is hereby granted the power and authority to borrow money and incur indebtedness for such purpose, from time to time, in an amount not exceeding the sum of Three Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000) and to evidence such borrowing by the issuance and sale upon its full faith and credit of its serial maturity, general obligation coupon bonds in like par amount, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth. Such bonds may be issued from time to time in one or more groups or series, as funds for such fire engine houses become neces-