

[[SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1974.]]

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Approved May 31, 1974.

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CHAPTER 810

(House Bill 1431)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County - Fire Companies

FOR the purpose of altering the amount paid to each active volunteer fire department in St. Mary's County, and clarifying the language.

BY repealing and re-enacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County  
Section 76  
Article 19 - Public Local Laws of Maryland  
(1965 Edition and 1973 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 76 of the Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County being Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1965 Edition and 1973 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 19

76.

The County Commissioners are authorized to pay annually from general county funds to each active volunteer fire [company] DEPARTMENT in St. Mary's County a sum not less than [\$5,000.00 per company, provided, however, that] \$8,500 WITH AN ANNUAL INCREMENT OF \$1,000, TO A MAXIMUM OF \$12,500 PER STATION. HOWEVER, no part of