EQUIPMENT OWNED BY THE BOWLING GREEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, ITS SUCCESSOR OR SUCCESSORS, AS MAY BE DUE, THAT ARE NECESSARY PROPERTY TO MAINTAIN AND OPERATE THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. SHOULD THE TAX SO COLLECTED IN ANY ONE YEAR BE INADEQUATE TO DEFRAY THE COSTS, EXPENSES, CLAIMS AND DEMANDS SUCH DEFICIENCY MAY BE ADDED TO THE AMOUNT REQUIRED FOR THE NEXT ENSUING YEAR AND BE LEVIED AND COLLECTED IN THE NEXT YEAR'S TAXES, PROVIDED THAT THE RATE SHALL NOT BE IN EXCESS OF THAT MENTIONED ABOVE.

166K.

IN ADDITION TO THE ACCOUNTING REQUIRED BY SECTION 161 OF THIS ARTICLE, THE BOWLING GREEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARMENT FOR ANY YEAR IN WHICH SPECIAL TAX MONEYS ARE LEVIED, COLLECTED, RECEIVED OR REQUESTED, SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL EUDGET TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THE BUDGET TO BE SUBMITTED ON OR BEFORE THE 15TH DAY OF MARCH IN EACH OF SUCH YEARS. IN ADDITION, THE BOWLING GREEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT SHALL ALSO SUBMIT TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AN ACCOUNTING OF ALL EXPENDITURES MADE BY IT IN EACH FISCAL YEAR, WHICH ACCOUNTING SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

166L.

THE SPECIAL TAX PROVIDED HEREIN SHALL BE LEVIED, COLLECTED AND PAID TO THE BOWLING GREEN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, IN ADDITION TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTIONS 159, 160 AND 162 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That before any tax could be levied in Allegany County, under the provisions of this Act, the question of such levy shall first be submitted to the qualified voters of this contemplated fire area and approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon. An election shall take place within six months after the effective date of this Act, and the Board of Election Supervisors of Allegany County may determine the time, place or places, and manner for the submission of any such question to the qualified voters and for voting thereon, and for ascertaining the results. In connection with this election there shall be printed on the ballot or voting machines to be used at this election the title of this Act, and underneath the title on separate lines a square or box to the right of and opposite with the words "For Fire Tax" and a corresponding square or box to the right of and opposite the words "Against Fire Tax" so that the voters shall be able to designate by a cross-mark in the proper square or box indicated by hand or voting machine, his or her decision for or against the fire tax.