

(1964 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That ~~[[Section]]~~ Sections 34(a) and (c) of Article 101 - Workmen's Compensation, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) be and ~~[[it is]]~~ they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 101 - Workmen's Compensation

34.

(a) All members of all volunteer fire companies in Caroline, Kent, Howard, Anne Arundel and Calvert counties, all members of all rescue squads in Caroline, Kent, Anne Arundel and Calvert counties [and], all members of all volunteer fire companies and rescue squads in Prince George's County which receive payments of funds as provided in § 650 of the Public Local Laws of Prince George's County, AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE LAUREL VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, while actually on duty as firemen or rescue squadmen and as members of such volunteer fire companies or rescue squads, shall be deemed workmen for wages and engaged in extra-hazardous employment within the meaning of this article. All such members shall be deemed to be on duty within the meaning hereof whenever they are (a) fighting a fire or while engaged as members of any ambulance, first aid, or rescue squad created within such fire companies; or (b) performing work or duties assigned to them by such companies or squads or by the written bylaws or rules of government adopted for such companies or squads; or (c) going to or returning from the performance of any of the foregoing. Such members shall not be deemed on duty when they are attending social functions at which their attendance or participation is not required by such written bylaws or rules.

(c) The County Commissioners of Kent County and County Council of Howard County shall secure compensation to volunteer firemen OR VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUADMEN or to their dependents in case of death of such firemen OR RESCUE SQUADMAN, 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 shall serve compensation to volunteer firemen, OR VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUADMEN, 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