capital account; and providing that the fire companies enduet--an--annual-audit-and-submit-the-results-ef-the audit provide an accounting of the expenditures of such funds to the County Commissioners.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Somerset County Section 17 Article 20 - Public Local Laws of Maryland (1977 Edition, as amended)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

## Article 20 - Somerset County

17.

- (a) The County Commissioners of Somerset County are hereby authorized, empowered and required to appropriate and levy annually the sum of [thirteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$13,500.00)] \$97,300 for the use of the organized volunteer fire companies of said Somerset County. The said sum shall be divided into five parts and paid annually to the treasurers of the following companies in the manner following: That is to say, to the treasurer of the Crisfield Volunteer Fire Company [three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00)], \$27,000; to the treasurer of the Princess Anne Volunteer Fire Company [three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00)], \$27,000; to the treasurer of the Marion Volunteer Fire Company [twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00)], \$16,700; [and] to the treasurer of the Deals Island-Chance Volunteer Fire Company [twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00)], \$14,700; [and] to the treasurer of the Ewell Fire Department, Inc., of Smith's Island hundred dollars [twenty-five (\$2,500.00).], \$11,900.
- [(b) In addition to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the County Commissioners may appropriate and levy annually an additional sum not to exceed \$51,500 for the use of the organized volunteer fire companies of Somerset County. If this sum is appropriated and levied, it shall be divided into five parts and paid annually to the treasurers of the following companies in these amounts: Crisfield Volunteer Fire Company, \$15,000; Princess Anne Volunteer Fire Company, \$15,000; Marion Volunteer Fire Company, \$9,000; Deal's Island-Chance Volunteer Fire Company, \$7,500; and Ewell Fire Department, Inc., of Smith's Island, \$5,000. If a sum less than \$51,500 is appropriated and levied in any year under the provisions of this subsection, it shall be divided among the several organized volunteer fire companies in a ratio approximately equal to the ratio of the figures hereinabove in this subsection.]