

- 13. HARFORD COUNTY\$369,000;
- 14. HOWARD COUNTY.....\$149,000;
- 15. KENT COUNTY\$65,000;
- 16. MONTGOMERY COUNTY.....\$1,023,000;
- 17. PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY\$2,053,000;
- 18. QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY\$85,000;
- 19. ST. MARY'S COUNTY\$85,000;
- 20. SOMERSET COUNTY\$65,000;
- 21. TALBOT COUNTY\$65,000;
- 22. WASHINGTON COUNTY.....\$229,000;
- 23. WICOMICO COUNTY\$181,000; AND
- 24. WORCESTER COUNTY.....\$65,000; AND

(II) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, IN FISCAL YEAR 2008 AND IN EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE FUNDING LEVEL FOR THE COUNTY FOR THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR INCREASED BY THE PRODUCT OF THE FUNDING LEVEL FOR THE COUNTY FOR THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR AND THE PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - ALL URBAN CONSUMERS - ALL ITEMS, AS PUBLISHED BY THE BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, FOR THE SECOND PRIOR FISCAL YEAR.

(3) IF THE FUNDING LEVEL CALCULATED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)(II) OF THIS SUBSECTION IS LESS THAN THE FUNDING LEVEL FOR THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR, THE FUNDING LEVEL FOR THE COUNTY SHALL BE THE FUNDING LEVEL FOR THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

Approved May 2, 2006.

CHAPTER 253

(Senate Bill 440)

AN ACT concerning

~~Public Safety - Volunteer Company Assistance Fund~~

~~Education - Tuition Assistance Program for Firemen and Rescue Squad Members - Renaming~~