

(iii) rehabilitate facilities used primarily to house fire fighting equipment, ambulances, and rescue vehicles.

(2) State money provided under this section may not be used:

- (i) for administrative costs;
- (ii) for compensation or fringe benefits to employees or members of county governments, or fire, rescue, or ambulance companies;
- (iii) for travel or meal expenses;
- (iv) for fuel, utility, or routine maintenance costs of facilities or equipment;
- (v) to acquire new or replacement fire hydrants, water mains, or emergency alarm systems not installed at a fire, rescue, or ambulance facility;
- (vi) for insurance;
- (vii) for fund-raising activities;
- (viii) to refinance debt or another obligation incurred before July 1, 1985;
- (ix) to replace or repair eligible items to the extent that insurance proceeds are available;
- (x) for costs associated with the "9-1-1" emergency telephone system; or
- (xi) for land or interests in land.

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(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, each county shall receive an initial allocation of money based on a percentage to be determined in the following manner:

(1) the Director of Assessments and Taxation shall certify to the [Secretary] DIRECTOR each county's total percentage of land use property tax accounts, including vacant unimproved properties, relative to the statewide total of all land use property tax accounts for the first completed fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year for which money is to be allocated;

(2) except as provided in item (3) of this subsection, the percentage determined in item (1) of this subsection shall then be applied for each county to any amount included in the State budget for the purposes of this subtitle; and

(3) each county shall receive an allocation of at least 2% of the total Fund as appropriated in the State budget, in addition to the amount that is distributed to fire, rescue, and ambulance companies, departments, or stations located in qualified municipal corporations in accordance with subsection (b) of this section.

(b) (1) Subject to paragraph (6) of this subsection, each county shall distribute the money provided under this subtitle on the basis of need to fire, rescue,