

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.

Approved April 9, 1985.

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CHAPTER 60

(House Bill 447)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County - Volunteer Fire Companies - Appropriations

FOR the purpose of altering the amount to be paid to each active volunteer fire department in St. Mary's County; providing for certain future increases in the amount to be paid to each active volunteer fire department in St. Mary's County; and generally relating to appropriations to volunteer fire departments in St. Mary's County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County  
Section 46-1  
Article 19 - Public Local Laws of Maryland  
(1978 Edition and September, 1984 Supplement, as amended)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 19 - St. Mary's County

46-1.

(A) The County Commissioners are authorized to pay annually from general county funds to each active volunteer fire department in St. Mary's County an amount that the Commissioners determine.

(B) [The] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, THE amount paid by the County Commissioners may not be less than [sixteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$16,500.)] \$18,000 annually.

(C) THE AMOUNT DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE INCREASED IN INCREMENTS OF \$1,000 EACH YEAR FOR 5 YEARS BEGINNING JULY 1, 1987.