

## Public Safety - Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Services

FOR the purpose of establishing a new State aid program for fire protection and rescue and ambulance services for certain purposes to the benefit of the citizens of this State; creating a State Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund that may be funded by appropriation; establishing a certain distribution formula to counties ~~and certain municipalities~~; authorizing expenditure for certain items with moneys distributed under this Act and prohibiting expenditures for certain other items; providing for the subdistribution of funds to certain departments, companies, or stations, including departments, companies, or stations within municipalities, subject to certain conditions and budgetary procedures; establishing certain maintenance of effort, matching, reporting, and accounting requirements; providing for repayment, setoff, and reversion to the General Fund of certain allocated, unencumbered, or unexpended funds under certain circumstances; providing for the administration of the aid program established under this Act by the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services; authorizing the Secretary to adopt procedures for program implementation; authorizing the Secretary to withhold distribution of funds under certain circumstances; adding certain requirements for financial assistance ~~and providing for appropriation of funds~~ under the Emergency Assistance Trust Fund program; defining certain terms; requiring a certain report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the establishment and administration of the State Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund.

BY adding to

Article 38A - Fires and Investigations  
 Section 45A through 45D, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "State Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund" and 46A(d)(4)  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1982 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 38A - Fires and Investigations  
 Section 46A(a)(3)  
 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 (1982 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

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

Article 38A - Fires and Investigations