

~~The board of county commissioners shall annually levy on the assessable property of the county a tax to provide the sum of not less than {\$10,000}--\$15,000--for--each--county--volunteer--fire company--which--has--been--approved,--incorporated,--and--recognized--by the Frederick County Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association, Inc., and which meets the other standards as provided for herein. The board shall also provide not less than {\$4,000}--\$6,000--for--all volunteer companies providing rescue or ambulance services.~~

(A) THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ANNUALLY SHALL IMPOSE ON THE ASSESSABLE PROPERTY OF THE COUNTY A TAX TO PROVIDE:

(1) THE SUM OF NOT LESS THAN \$15,000 FOR:

(I) EACH COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY THAT PROVIDES EMERGENCY FIRE SERVICES; AND

(II) EACH VOLUNTEER RESCUE OR AMBULANCE COMPANY THAT PROVIDES EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES FROM A FACILITY NOT ALSO USED BY A COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION; AND

(2) THE SUM OF NOT LESS THAN \$6,000 FOR:

(I) EACH COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY THAT PROVIDES EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICE; AND

(II) EACH VOLUNTEER RESCUE OR AMBULANCE COMPANY THAT PROVIDES EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES FROM A FACILITY ALSO USED BY A COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY AS DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBSECTION.

(B) IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE FUNDS PROVIDED FOR IN THIS SECTION, EACH COMPANY SHALL BE APPROVED, INCORPORATED, AND RECOGNIZED BY THE FREDERICK COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION, INC., AND MEET THE OTHER STANDARDS AS PROVIDED FOR HEREIN.

(C) The board [of county commissioners] may contribute money to compensate out of county fire, rescue, or ambulance companies rendering service in the county in the board's sole discretion. Incorporated municipalities with primary responsibility for governmental funding for fire, rescue, or ambulance services shall within their jurisdiction hold those enumerated powers assigned to the board of county commissioners as stated in Sections 2-8-1 and 2-8-2 of this chapter.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

Approved April 29, 1986.
