CHAPTER 111

(Senate Bill 195)

AN ACT concerning

Charles County - Fire and Rescue Volunteers -
~~Retirement~~ Length of Service Award Program

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of ~~retirement~~ the Length
of Service Award Program benefits for certain Charles County
fire and rescue volunteers; altering benefits for certain
beneficiaries of fire and rescue volunteers; providing for
the distribution of benefits under certain circumstances;
providing for additional benefits under certain
circumstances; making stylistic changes; and generally
relating to ~~retirement~~ the Length of Service Award Program
benefits for Charles County fire and rescue volunteers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Charles County
Section 54-9
Article 9 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1988 Edition, as amended)

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

Article 9 - Charles County

54-9.

A.   Any person who has served as a member of any Charles
County Volunteer Fire Company or Charles County Volunteer Rescue
Squad is eligible to receive the benefits set forth in this
Article if the person is certified in accordance with the
provisions of § 54-11 to have served as an active volunteer
subsequent to December 31, 1973. Any person who discontinued
active volunteer service prior to January 1, 1974, may receive
credit for the service after being certified in accordance with
the provisions of § 54-11.

B.   Beginning January 1, 1974, any person who has reached
the age of [sixty (60)] 60 years and who has completed a minimum
of [twenty-five (25)] 25 years of certified active volunteer
service with any Charles County Volunteer Fire Company or
Volunteer Rescue Squad or combination thereof shall receive
benefits in the amount of [one hundred dollars ($100.)] $100 per
month for life. Payments shall begin on the first day of the
first month following eligibility. The program shall be
administered by the County Commissioners of Charles County, and