constitute a first lien; requiring the County Commissioners to establish certain minimum response criteria; permitting requiring the County Commissioners to regulate certain fire and rescue services, procedures, and standards; altering certain powers of incorporated municipalities in the County with regard to fire and rescue services; providing for an emergency effective date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to fire and rescue services in Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of Frederick County Section 2-8-3 Article 11 - Public Local Laws of Maryland (1979 Edition and August, 1988 Supplement, as amended)

BY adding to

The Public Local Laws of Frederick County Section 2-8-6 Article 11 - Public Local Laws of Maryland (1979 Edition and August, 1988 Supplement, as amended)

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

Article 11 - Frederick County

2-8-3.

- (a) The board of county commissioners annually [shall] MAY 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