

(2) REPORT THE FINDINGS TO THE DEPARTMENT AND, SUBJECT TO § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, TO THE JOINT AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 38A, § 46C.

In subsections (b)(1) and (2) and (c)(1) of this section and throughout this subtitle, the reference to "money" is substituted for the former reference to "funds" for consistency with terminology used throughout this title and this article. Similarly, in subsection (c)(1) of this section, the word "money" is substituted for the former phrase "financial assistance" for consistency with terminology used throughout this subtitle.

Defined terms: "Association" § 8-201

"Department" § 8-201

"Volunteer company" § 8-201

8-204. EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TRUST ACCOUNT — IN GENERAL.

(A) "ACCOUNT" DEFINED.

IN THIS SECTION, "ACCOUNT" MEANS THE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TRUST ACCOUNT.

(B) ESTABLISHED.

THERE IS AN EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TRUST ACCOUNT.

(C) PURPOSE.

THE PURPOSE OF THE ACCOUNT IS TO ENSURE ADEQUATE FIRE PROTECTION AND RESCUE SERVICES IN THE STATE.

(D) ANNUAL APPROPRIATION.

AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE ASSOCIATION, THE GOVERNOR MAY INCLUDE IN THE STATE BUDGET EACH YEAR AN AMOUNT FOR THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION.

(E) USE OF MONEY.

A GRANT OR LOAN AWARDED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR:

(1) EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING ELEVATED EQUIPMENT, PUMPERS, TANKERS, LADDER TRUCKS, AMBULANCES, RESCUE VEHICLES, OR OTHER LARGE EQUIPMENT USED FOR FIRE FIGHTING AND EMERGENCY SERVICES;

(2) COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT;

(3) PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING HELMETS, TURNOUT COATS AND PANTS, BOOTS, EYESHIELDS, GLOVES, AND SELF-CONTAINED RESPIRATORY PROTECTION UNITS;