

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – Public Safety  
Section 8–205  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2003 Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

**Article – Public Safety**

8–205.

(a) After consultation with the Association, the Governor may include in the State budget each year an amount for the purposes set forth in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) The Association may use money appropriated under subsection (a) of this section to:

(1) formulate, publish, and distribute the fire laws of Maryland AND OTHER STATE AND FEDERAL STANDARDS, LAWS, GUIDELINES, AND RECOMMENDATIONS;

(2) formulate, publish, and distribute an annual report and monthly or other timely bulletins and reports;

(3) [publish and distribute fire prevention material] PURCHASE, PUBLISH, AND DISTRIBUTE FIRE PREVENTION, EMERGENCY SERVICES, AND SAFETY EDUCATION MATERIALS AND SPONSOR SEMINARS AND OTHER PUBLIC FORUMS TO DISSEMINATE THIS INFORMATION TO ASSOCIATION MEMBERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE STATE;

(4) [keep] MAINTAIN AND DISTRIBUTE records that relate to the annual inspections of fire and rescue equipment and facilities; [and]

(5) establish and maintain a database on manpower availability and training, operational cost, equipment availability, response time, State and local financial support, and other relevant factors in providing fire and rescue services;

(6) MAINTAIN MEMBERSHIP THROUGH FEES, SUBSCRIPTIONS, AND MEETING ATTENDANCE IN ORGANIZATIONS THAT DISSEMINATE TRAINING AND EDUCATION AND PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY