any mutual aid agreement, said personnel shall be held and considered to have performed that service in the course of employment and in the line of duty in order [that he might] TO fully qualify for any benefits otherwise accruing.

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- (A) In this subtitle[,] the following words have the meanings indicated.
 - [(1)] (B) "County" includes Baltimore City.
- [(2) (i)] (C) (1) "Expenditures for fire protection" or "expend for fire protection" means county revenues appropriated or to be appropriated for fire protection and the proceeds of any county bonds used to finance facilities that house fire protection apparatus and equipment. [It excludes]
- (2) "EXPENDITURES FOR FIRE PROTECTION" OR "EXPEND FOR FIRE PROTECTION" DOES NOT INCLUDE:
- (I) [salaries, workmen's] SALARIES, WORKERS' compensation, fringe benefits, or other personnel, except training, or administrative costs[. For fiscal years prior to fiscal year 1986, it includes grants appropriated to a volunteer fire, rescue, or ambulance company for fire protection that are not itemized.]; OR
- (II) In Carroll County, [the terms "expenditures for fire protection" or "expend for fire protection" do not include] appropriations for loans to a volunteer fire, rescue, or ambulance company, secured by mortgages, notes, or other evidence of indebtedness of the volunteer fire, rescue, or ambulance company, if the appropriations derive from the proceeds of bonds to finance facilities that house fire protection apparatus and equipment.
 - [(3)] (D) "Fire protection" includes rescue and ambulance services.
- [(4)] (E) "Fund" means the Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund established under this subtitle.
- [(5)] (F) "Qualified municipality" means any incorporated city or town, except Baltimore City, within this State whose expenditures for fire protection from municipal sources exceeds \$25,000.
- [(6)] (G) "Secretary" means the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services.

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(c) An official or employee may not assist or represent a party for contingent compensation in any matter before or involving any agency of the State or a political subdivision other than in a judicial or quasi-judicial proceeding; provided, however, that nothing herein shall preclude an official or employee from assisting or representing a