

Section 2-304

Article 20 - 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 20 - Somerset County

2-304.

(a) The County Commissioners shall appropriate and levy annually [\$109,200] \$152,000 for the use of the organized volunteer fire companies in the County. The sum shall be divided into [6] 7 parts and paid annually to the treasurers of the following companies:

- (1) Crisfield Volunteer Fire Company, [\$27,000] \$36,000;
- (2) Princess Anne Volunteer Fire Company, [\$27,000] \$36,000;
- (3) Marion Volunteer Fire Company, [\$16,700] \$23,000;
- (4) Deal ~~{Island-Chance}~~ ISLAND Volunteer Fire Company, [\$14,700] \$20,000;
- (5) Ewell Fire Department, Inc., of [Smith's] SMITH Island, [\$11,900] \$16,000; [and]
- (6) Mount Vernon Volunteer Fire Company, Inc., [\$11,900] \$16,000; AND
- (7) TYLERTON VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, \$5,000.

(b) (1) From the money appropriated for each of the fire companies in subsection (a) of this section:

(I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN ITEM (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, \$5,000 shall be placed into a capital account by the respective fire companies, and shall be used only for capital expenditures, such as purchasing, operating, and repairing fire apparatus and equipment; AND

(II) \$1,000 SHALL BE PLACED INTO A CAPITAL ACCOUNT BY THE TYLERTON VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, AND SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES, SUCH AS PURCHASING, OPERATING, AND REPAIRING FIRE APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT.

(2) Payments may not be made to any company which has any regulations or resolutions limiting the territory within which it will respond to calls.

(c) Each fire company receiving County funds shall provide an accounting of the expenditures of the funds to the County Commissioners.

(D) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY LEVY FOR AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS ANNUALLY FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES PROVIDED