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CHAPTER ____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County - Fire Protection - Funding**
3 **PG 418-97**

4 FOR the purpose of allowing Prince George's County to receive certain disbursements
5 from the State for fire protection subject to a certain penalty notwithstanding the
6 county's failure to satisfy certain requirements for a certain fiscal year; providing for
7 the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to State and local funding for
8 fire protection.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article 38A - Fires and Investigations
11 Section 45D(a)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

16 **Article 38A - Fires and Investigations**

17 45D.

18 (a) (1) The funds distributed under this subtitle shall be used as an addition to
19 and shall not be substituted for moneys appropriated from sources other than this
20 program by the counties for the purposes listed in § 45B(d)(1) of this subtitle. Each
21 county shall expend for fire protection from sources other than provided under this
22 subtitle, in Fiscal Year 1986 and each fiscal year thereafter, an amount of funds that is at
23 least equal to the average amount of funds expended for fire protection during the 3

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1 preceding fiscal years. Failure to satisfy the requirements of this subsection shall preclude
2 disbursement of funds under this subtitle to the local government for that fiscal year.

3 (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this subsection, in each of Fiscal Years
4 1995 and 1996 in Howard County and Prince George's County only, the County may
5 receive disbursements under this subtitle subject to a penalty in an amount equal to the
6 percentage by which the County fails to meet the County's maintenance of effort for
7 Fiscal Years 1995 and 1996.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, notwithstanding the
9 provisions of Article 38A, § 45D(a) of the Code, for Fiscal Year 1997, Prince George's
10 County may receive disbursements under Article 38A, §§ 45A through 45D of the Code
11 subject to a penalty in an amount equal to the percentage by which the county fails to
12 meet the county's maintenance of effort for Fiscal Year 1997.

13 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 June 1, 1997.