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CHAPTER_____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Somerset County - Fire Companies - Appropriations**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the County Commissioners of Somerset County to
 4 appropriate to certain organized volunteer fire companies in the county certain
 5 amounts for certain fiscal years; mandating that the required appropriations for
 6 fiscal year 2010 shall remain in effect for subsequent fiscal years unless altered
 7 by a future enactment; and generally relating to appropriations for organized
 8 volunteer fire companies in Somerset County.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 10 The Public Local Laws of Somerset County
 11 Section 2-304
 12 Article 20 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
 13 (2003 Edition, as amended)
 14 (As enacted by Chapter 343 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2004)

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

17 **Article 20 - Somerset County**

18 2-304.

19 (a) (1) The County Commissioners shall appropriate and levy annually the
 20 following amounts for the use of the organized volunteer fire companies in the
 21 County:

	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
1 [Fire Company						
2 Crisfield Volunteer Fire Company	\$48,200	\$49,400	\$50,600	\$51,850	\$53,150	
3 Princess Anne Volunteer Fire						
4 Company	\$48,200	\$49,400	\$50,600	\$51,850	\$53,150	
5 Marion Volunteer Fire Company	\$30,700	\$31,500	\$32,250	\$33,000	\$33,800	
6 Deal Island-Chance Volunteer Fire						
7 Department	\$26,700	\$27,350	\$28,000	\$28,700	\$29,400	
8 Ewell Fire Department, Inc., of						
9 Smith Island	\$21,300	\$21,800	\$22,350	\$22,900	\$23,450	
10 Mount Vernon Volunteer Fire						
11 Company, Inc.	\$21,300	\$21,800	\$22,350	\$22,900	\$23,450	
12 Fairmount Volunteer Fire Company	\$21,300	\$21,800	\$22,350	\$22,900	\$23,450	
13 Tylerton Volunteer Fire Company	\$ 6,600	\$ 6,800	\$ 6,900	\$ 7,050	\$ 7,250]	
14 FIRE COMPANY	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
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16 CRISFIELD VOLUNTEER						
17 FIRE COMPANY	\$48,200	\$53,150	\$54,500	\$55,850	\$57,250	\$58,700
18 PRINCESS ANNE						
19 VOLUNTEER FIRE						
20 COMPANY	\$48,200	\$53,150	\$54,500	\$55,850	\$57,250	\$58,700
21 MARION VOLUNTEER						
22 FIRE COMPANY	\$30,700	\$33,800	\$34,650	\$35,500	\$36,400	\$37,350
23 DEAL ISLAND-CHANCE						
24 VOLUNTEER						
25 FIRE COMPANY	\$26,700	\$29,400	\$30,150	\$30,900	\$31,700	\$32,500
26 EWELL FIRE						
27 DEPARTMENT, INC.						
28 OF SMITH ISLAND	\$21,300	\$23,450	\$24,050	\$24,650	\$25,250	\$25,900
29 MOUNT VERNON						
30 VOLUNTEER FIRE						
31 COMPANY, INC.	\$21,300	\$29,400	\$30,150	\$30,900	\$31,700	\$32,500
32 TYLERTON VOLUNTEER						
33 FIRE COMPANY	\$ 6,600	\$ 7,250	\$ 7,450	\$ 7,650	\$ 7,850	\$ 8,050
34 FAIRMOUNT VOLUNTEER						
35 FIRE COMPANY	\$21,300	\$29,400	\$30,150	\$30,900	\$31,700	\$32,500

36 (2) The required appropriation for fiscal year ~~2005~~ [2009] 2010 shall
37 remain in effect for subsequent fiscal years unless altered by future enactment.

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

40 (i) Except as provided in item (ii) of this paragraph, \$5,000 shall be
41 placed into a capital account by the respective fire companies, and shall be used only
42 for capital expenditures, such as purchasing, operating, and repairing fire apparatus
43 and equipment; and

1 (ii) \$1,000 shall be placed into a capital account by the Tylerton
2 Volunteer Fire Company, and shall be used only for capital expenditures, such as
3 purchasing, operating, and repairing fire apparatus and equipment.

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

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

8 (d) The County Commissioners may levy for and appropriate funds annually
9 for emergency services provided by any volunteer fire company or rescue squad if the
10 volunteer fire company or rescue squad is operated on a not for profit basis.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
12 July 1, 2005.