

# SENATE BILL 378

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By: **Senator Stoltzfus**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Somerset County – Fire Company – 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; requiring that the appropriations required for a  
6 certain fiscal year remain in effect for subsequent fiscal years unless altered by  
7 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 and 2007 Supplement, as amended)

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

16 **Article 20 – Somerset County**

17 2–304.

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

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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	[FY 2005]	[FY 2006]	[FY 2007]	[FY 2008]	[FY 2009]	[FY 2010]
	<b>FY 2010</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY2015</b>
1   Fire Company	[\$48,200]	[\$53,150]	[\$54,500]	[\$55,850]	[\$57,250]	[\$58,700]
2	<b>\$58,700</b>	<b>\$60,200</b>	<b>\$61,750</b>	<b>\$63,300</b>	<b>\$64,900</b>	<b>\$66,550</b>
3 Crisfield	[\$48,200]	[\$53,150]	[\$54,500]	[\$55,850]	[\$57,250]	[\$58,700]
4 Volunteer Fire	<b>\$58,700</b>	<b>\$60,200</b>	<b>\$61,750</b>	<b>\$63,300</b>	<b>\$64,900</b>	<b>\$66,550</b>
5 Company						
6 Princess Anne	[\$48,200]	[\$53,150]	[\$54,500]	[\$55,850]	[\$57,250]	[\$58,700]
7 Volunteer Fire	<b>\$58,700</b>	<b>\$60,200</b>	<b>\$61,750</b>	<b>\$63,300</b>	<b>\$64,900</b>	<b>\$66,550</b>
8 Company						
9 Marion	[\$30,700]	[\$33,800]	[\$34,650]	[\$35,500]	[\$36,400]	[\$37,350]
10 Volunteer Fire	<b>\$37,350</b>	<b>\$38,300</b>	<b>\$39,300</b>	<b>\$40,300</b>	<b>\$41,350</b>	<b>\$42,400</b>
11 Company						
12 Deal Island–	[\$26,700]	[\$29,400]	[\$30,150]	[\$30,900]	[\$31,700]	[\$32,500]
13 Chance	<b>\$32,500</b>	<b>\$33,350</b>	<b>\$34,200</b>	<b>\$35,100</b>	<b>\$36,000</b>	<b>\$36,900</b>
14 Volunteer Fire						
15 Company						
16 Ewell Fire	[\$21,300]	[\$23,450]	[\$24,050]	[\$24,650]	[\$25,250]	[\$25,900]
17 Department,	<b>\$25,900</b>	<b>\$26,550</b>	<b>\$27,250</b>	<b>\$27,950</b>	<b>\$28,650</b>	<b>\$29,400</b>
18 Inc., of Smith						
19 Island						
20 Mount Vernon	[\$21,300]	[\$29,400]	[\$30,150]	[\$30,900]	[\$31,700]	[\$32,500]
21 Volunteer Fire	<b>\$32,500</b>	<b>\$33,350</b>	<b>\$34,200</b>	<b>\$35,100</b>	<b>\$36,000</b>	<b>\$36,900</b>
22 Company, Inc.						
23 Tylerton	[\$6,600]	[\$7,250]	[\$7,450]	[\$7,650]	[\$7,850]	[\$8,050]
24 Volunteer Fire	<b>\$8,050</b>	<b>\$8,250</b>	<b>\$8,500</b>	<b>\$8,750</b>	<b>\$9,000</b>	<b>\$9,250</b>
25 Company						
26 Fairmount	[\$21,300]	[\$29,400]	[\$30,150]	[\$30,900]	[\$31,700]	[\$32,500]
27 Volunteer Fire	<b>\$32,500</b>	<del>\$33,500</del>	<b>\$34,200</b>	<b>\$35,100</b>	<b>\$36,000</b>	<b>\$36,900</b>
28 Company		<b>\$33,350</b>				

29 (2) The required appropriation for fiscal year [2010] **2015** shall  
30 remain in effect for subsequent fiscal years unless altered by future enactment.

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

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

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

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

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

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

6           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
7 July 1, 2009.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.