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By: Chair, Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee (By Request – Departmental – Maryland Department of Emergency Management)

Requested: September 18, 2023

AN ACT concerning

Introduced and read first time: January 10, 2024

Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

A BILL ENTITLED

2	Public Safety – Volunteer Company Assistance Fund – Alterations
3	FOR the purpose of transferring certain duties relating to the Volunteer Company
4	Assistance Fund from the Military Department to the Maryland Department of
5	Emergency Management; and generally relating to the Volunteer Company
6	Assistance Fund.
7	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8	Article – Public Safety
9	Section 8–201
10	Annotated Code of Maryland
11	(2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)
12	BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
13	Article – Public Safety

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

Annotated Code of Maryland

Section 8–206

19 Article - Public Safety

(2022 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

20 8–201.

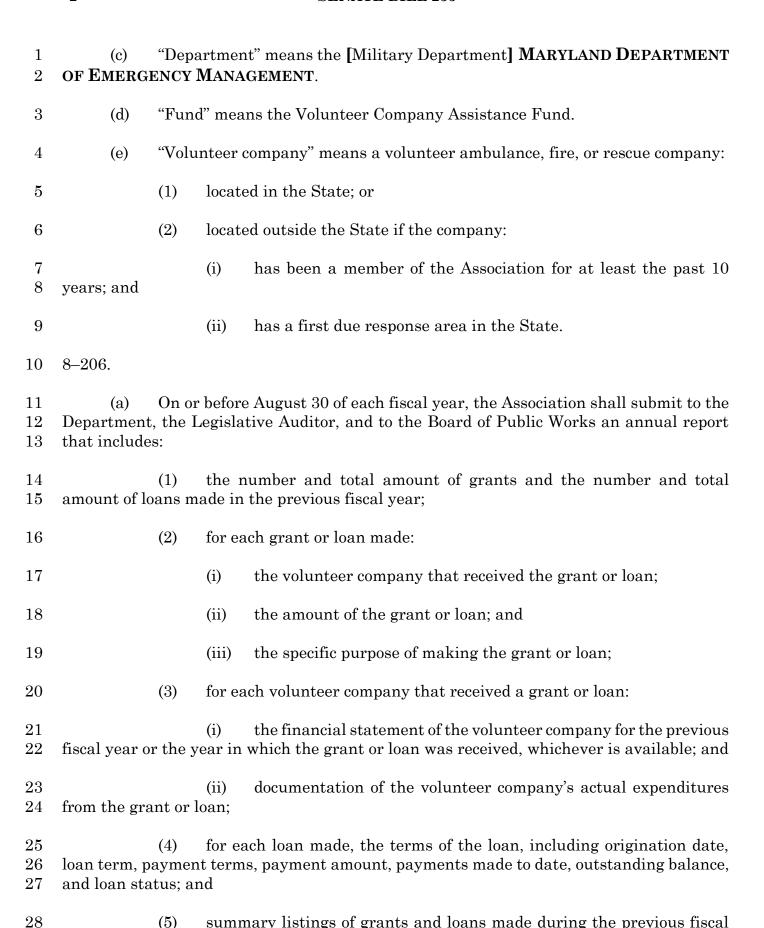
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- 21 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) "Association" means the Maryland State Firemen's Association.



- 1 year and outstanding loans, by county.
- 2 (b) The Department shall:
- 3 (1) review the documentation submitted in accordance with subsection (a) 4 of this section on an annual basis to determine if each grant or loan was spent in accordance 5 with this subtitle and the request approved by the Board of Public Works; and
- 6 (2) report the findings to the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee and 7 the House Appropriations Committee on an annual basis.
- 8 (c) The Legislative Auditor may:
- 9 (1) review the documentation submitted in accordance with subsection (a) 10 of this section to determine if each grant or loan was spent in accordance with this subtitle 11 and the requests approved by the Board of Public Works; and
- 12 (2) report the findings to the Department and, subject to § 2–1257 of the 13 State Government Article, to the Joint Audit and Evaluation Committee of the General 14 Assembly.
- 15 (d) The Comptroller may audit the financial affairs of the Association to ensure compliance with this subtitle.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2024.