

of the failure, refusal or neglect of any person, and to require the State's Attorney to institute proceedings for such penalty at the next term of court.

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CHAPTER 274.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact with amendments Sections 227, 232, 241, 245 and 252 of Article 3 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition and Offutt's Edition of 1928), title "Baltimore County," sub-title "Fire Department," providing for a Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, making him eligible for retirement on pension, as herein provided, and that said Chief Engineer and firemen may be retired on pensions after service in the department of not less than twenty consecutive years, reducing the age limit for appointment in the Fire Department, changing the composition of the Board of Examiners of the Fire Department of Baltimore County and making certain other changes as to said Fire Department.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sections 227, 232, 241, 245 and 252 of Article 3 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition and Offutt's Edition of 1928), title "Baltimore County," sub-title "Fire Department," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted with amendments to read as follows:

227. In establishing such department they shall provide all such proper fire engines and instruments, with sufficient equipment necessary therefor to be used for the preservation of property in said districts and they shall have the power and authority to employ all officers, one of whom shall have control of said department and shall be designated as the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, and all employees necessary, in their judgment, to serve and use such fire apparatus for its intended purposes; and further, also to ordain all needful rules and regulations for the proper conduct of such officers and employees, and penalties for the infraction thereof; and they shall have authority to levy upon the assessable property of the county such tax as may be necessary to support and maintain said fire department and pay for the necessary fire engines, hose and apparatus.

232. There shall be a Board of Examiners for the Fire Department of Baltimore County composed of the President of the