

be known as Section 307, to follow immediately after Section 306 of said Article, and to read as follows:

307. (a) The Mayor and Aldermen of Frederick is hereby authorized and empowered to make financial appropriations to the Independent Hose Company No. 1, the United Steam Fire Company No. 3, the Junior Fire Company No. 2 and the Citizens Truck Company, all being bodies corporate of the State of Maryland, located within the corporate limits of Frederick City, in such sums or amounts as it shall think proper, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of said fire companies, for the purchase of equipment, maintenance of fire houses and equipment, payment of salaries and such other necessary expenses as the Mayor and Aldermen of Frederick shall think proper. None of said Companies shall purchase any new equipment to be used in Frederick City, the cost of which shall exceed the sum of Two Hundred Dollars, without first obtaining the approval of the Board of Aldermen of Frederick City. Each of said fire companies shall render a financial statement to the Board of Aldermen at least once a year and oftener if required by the Board of Aldermen, showing all amounts of money received by it from the Mayor and Aldermen of Frederick and from all other sources, all amounts expended by it and the balance on hand at the time of filing such report.

(b) Whenever any regular driver, tiller or chauffeur of any of said companies shall have reached the age of sixty years, he shall be retired, and if he shall have rendered meritorious service for at least twenty consecutive years prior thereto he shall be paid during the remainder of his life, in addition to the amounts he may receive from Social Security, a salary or pension, which added thereto, will be equal to the amount payable to a police patrolman of Frederick City upon retirement, payable in semi-monthly installments.

(c) Whenever any such employee shall be permanently disabled while engaged in the performance of his duties, and who shall be so determined by two competent physicians, appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Aldermen, after a thorough examination, he shall be retired and paid for life, in addition to the amounts, he shall receive from or under the Maryland Workmen's Compensation Insurance Act, a salary or pension, which added thereto, will be equal to the amount payable to a police patrolman of Frederick City upon retirement, payable in semi-monthly installments, provided such disability shall continue until his death. The Board of Aldermen may cause any such retired driver, tiller or chauffeur to be re-examined, from time to time, by two physicians as above provided, and in the event he shall sub-