

FOR the purpose of requiring that Howard County provide workmen's compensation coverage to certain volunteer fire fighters and volunteer rescue squad members; providing for the method of securing insurance for certain fire fighters and rescue squad members; abolishing the membership limitations of volunteer fire companies; and generally relating to the workmen's compensation for certain fire fighters and rescue squad members in Howard County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article 101 - Workmen's Compensation  
Section 34(a)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1979 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 101 - Workmen's Compensation  
Section 34(c)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1979 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)

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

Article 101 - Workmen's Compensation

34.

(a) All members of all volunteer fire companies in Caroline, Kent, Howard, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Frederick, Montgomery, and Queen Anne's counties, all members of all rescue squads in Caroline, Kent, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Frederick, Montgomery, and Queen Anne's counties, all members of all volunteer fire companies and rescue squads in Prince George's County which receive payments of funds as provided in § 650 of the Public Local Laws of Prince George's County, and all members of the Laurel Volunteer Rescue Squad in Prince George's County, while actually on duty as firemen or rescue squadmen and as members of such volunteer fire companies or rescue squads, shall be deemed workmen for wages and engaged in extra-hazardous employment within the meaning of this article. All such members shall be deemed to be on duty within the meaning hereof whenever they are (a) fighting a fire or while engaged as members of any ambulance, first aid, or rescue squad created within such fire companies; or (b) performing work or duties assigned to them by such companies or squads or by the written bylaws or rules of government adopted for such companies or squads; or (c) going to or returning from the performance of any of the foregoing. Such members shall not be deemed on duty when they are attending social functions at which their attendance or participation is not required by such written bylaws or rules.