COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION
Act 15 of 1942 (2nd Ex. Sess.)

AN ACT to authorize county boards of supervisors to provide fire protection for certain areas in counties now or hereafter having a population of not less than 5,000 inhabitants; to authorize the contracting for fire protection or the purchase of fire extinguishing apparatus and equipment, and maintenance and operation thereof; and to authorize such counties to make appropriations to pay the cost thereof.

History: 1942, 2nd Ex. Sess., Act 15, Imd. Eff. Feb. 25, 1942;—Am. 1945, Act 44, Eff. Sept. 6, 1945.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

46.301 Fire protection in counties over 5,000; powers of board of supervisors; contracts with townships.

Sec. 1. In any county now or hereafter having a population of not less than 5,000 inhabitants, as determined by the last federal decennial census or by any federal decennial census hereafter taken, where there are areas outside of incorporated cities for which adequate fire protection is not provided, the board of supervisors by a 2/3 vote of its membership of any such county shall have authority (1) to purchase fire extinguishing apparatus and equipment; (2) to provide for the housing, maintenance, care and operation thereof for any such areas within such county; or (3) to contract for such fire protection with the legislative body of any township, city or village located within such county; (4) to carry on an educational campaign for fire prevention and fire protection in such areas, and (5) to make such appropriation from the general fund of such county as such board of supervisors shall deem necessary for these purposes: Provided, That the county shall furnish fire protection to only such townships as have entered into a contract with the county to reimburse the county for such percentum, which in any case shall not be less than 50 percentum, of the cost of furnishing such fire protection as shall be determined by the board of supervisors.

History: 1942, 2nd Ex. Sess., Act 15, Imd. Eff. Feb. 25, 1942;—Am. 1945, Act 44, Eff. Sept. 6, 1945;—CL 1948, 46.301.

46.302 Fire protection; appropriations from county general fund.

Sec. 2. The board of supervisors thereafter may appropriate annually from the general fund of such county such funds as may be required for the housing, maintenance, care and operation of such fire extinguishing apparatus and equipment, or to carry out contracts for such fire protection in such sums as such board of supervisors shall deem necessary.

History: 1942, 2nd Ex. Sess., Act 15, Imd. Eff. Feb. 25, 1942;—CL 1948, 46.302.

46.303 Declaration of necessity.

Sec. 3. This act is declared to be necessary for the public good and welfare of the people of this state and for the protection of property and is enacted to meet an emergency created by the state of war.

History: 1942, 2nd Ex. Sess., Act 15, Imd. Eff. Feb. 25, 1942;—CL 1948, 46.303.

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