

if the majority of the votes cast shall be "Against Sewer Bonds," then this act shall be of no effect.

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 11, 1912.

CHAPTER 551.

AN ACT to require the Western Maryland Railway Company to erect and maintain safety gates at the crossing on High street, in New Windsor, Carroll county, Maryland, and to employ a flagman to operate said gates.

(*Vetoed.*)

CHAPTER 552.

AN ACT to amend the Charter of the Town of Takoma Park, in Prince George's and Montgomery counties, by adding new sections thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the charter of the Town of Takoma Park, in Prince George's and Montgomery counties, be amended by adding two additional sections, to come in after section 40H and to be designated as sections 40I and 40J.

SEC. 40 I. That in addition to the powers conferred by existing law upon the Council of the Town of Takoma Park, in Montgomery and Prince George's counties, the said Council shall have power to contract for periods not exceeding five years with the County Commissioners of Montgomery or Prince George's counties, any municipal corporation, village or town improvement association, any person, association of persons, or corporations, for supplying the said town or the inhabitants thereof, or for said town or its said Council supplying such County Commissioners, municipality, association, person, persons or corporation, with water, gas or electricity, or for any other general municipal purpose or purposes, and as to sewers or sewerage not exceeding ten years; and whenever any work of any nature is to be performed by said Council the cost of which does not exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000), the contract therefor may be let or the work performed by the said Council without previous posting and publication of notice.