

water pipe or sanitary sewer, and provided, further, that when connected, the length of agricultural property to be assessed shall be limited to 150 feet. The Commissioners shall change the classification of properties from time to time, as said properties change in the uses to which they are put. The Commissioners shall be empowered and directed to make a charge upon every building and place having a connection with the sewerage system under their control, said charge to be an annual sewerage service charge. All assessments and charges, except connection charges shall be uniform for each class of property throughout the District, shall be subject to change annually and shall be collected by the treasurer of Baltimore County, excepting the water service rates, which shall be collected as already specified in Section 332. For those water supply systems not falling under the provisions of Sections 331 and 332 but constructed and operated by the Commissioners, water service rates, shall be established by the Commissioners. All front foot assessments shall run for an equal term of years; provided, however, that any property owner may, at his option within one year from the time said front foot assessment or benefit charge is levied, extinguish the same by the payment in cash, in one sum, of the proportion of the estimated cost of the project of which the construction abutting upon his property is a part, represented by the number of front feet with which he is assessed, with interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from the date of said levy, less any annual payment that may have been made thereon. The Commissioners, however, in estimating said cost for the purpose of extinguishment, may add thereto a reasonable margin to protect themselves against possible changes in the cost of construction and the loss of interest. All sums received under such plan of extinguishment shall be preserved intact by the treasurer of Baltimore County, less the payment of the proportion of interest and sinking fund properly chargeable to the amount so received, and used for future construction. The said assessments and charges shall be and constitute a lien upon the property chargeable with the same until paid. All such assessments and charges, including those past due and in arrears as well as those due and becoming due in the future, excepting water service charges, which shall be collected as heretofore specified in Section 332, shall be due, if payable annually, on the first day of January in each and every year and shall be collected by the Treasurer of Baltimore County in the same manner and at the same time as State and County taxes are collected. In the event any such annual assessment or charge be not paid when due, interest thereon, beginning on the first