

time to time, in its judgment may be deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act, and the County Road Engineer of Anne Arundel County shall be eligible to serve as Chief Engineer at a reasonable compensation. The said commissioners shall serve without compensation.

The said commission shall annually publish in at least one newspaper in Anne Arundel County, a full and true account of its receipts, expenses and expenditures, but prior to such publication, said accounts shall be fully audited by a certified public accountant to be employed and paid by said commission.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That the members of said commission shall be a body corporate, by the name of the "Anne Arundel County Sanitary Commission," with the right to use a common seal, to sue and be sued, and to do any and all other corporate acts for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act. Whenever it shall be deemed necessary by said commission to take or acquire any land, structures or buildings, or any stream bed, water way, water rights or water shed, either in fee or as an easement, within or without the said sanitary districts, for the construction, extension or maintenance of any water main, sewer or appurtenance thereof, or for any sewerage disposal plant, reservoir, water filtration plant, tank or pumping station, said commission may purchase the same from the owners or failing to agree with the owner or owners thereof, may condemn the same by proceedings in the Circuit Court for the county in which said land, structures or buildings, stream bed, water way, water rights or water shed as now provided for condemnation of land by public service corporations in the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, and said commission may likewise condemn the interest of any tenant, lessee or other person having an interest in said land, structures or buildings, stream bed, water way, water rights or water shed. Provided, however, that the said Commission shall not construct any water or sewerage system in competition with any privately owned system or systems now in existence, but are hereby authorized to purchase such privately owned system or systems at a fair price, or in the event agreement on price cannot be reached, then to condemn in the usual way, and under legal proceedings provided in such cases, and take over such system or systems after payment of price agreed upon, or condemnation valuation ascertained.

At any time after ten days after the return and recordation of the verdict or award in said proceedings, the said commis-