

not more than one year's interest may be so expended. In order that the prompt payment of interest and the proper provision for the payment of the principal of said bonds shall be assured, the prompt and proper performance of the respective acts and duties heretofore defined is hereby specifically enjoined, and any failure upon the part of any person or persons, body corporate or agent to perform the necessary acts and duties herein set forth to pay over the said fund as required, is hereby declared a misdemeanor and punishable as other misdemeanors are punishable by Section 22 of this Act.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted,* That whenever the plans and specifications for water supply, sewerage or drainage systems for any District shall have been completed, and the Commission shall have decided after opportunity for a hearing has been given, to proceed with the construction thereof, it shall advertise, by one newspaper published in Anne Arundel County, and such newspapers and technical press as it may deem proper, for bids for the construction of said system or systems, in parts or as a whole, as in its judgment may appear advisable. The contract shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, or the Commission may reject any and all bids, and, if in its discretion the prices quoted are unreasonable, it may readvertise the work or any part of it, or may do any part or all of the work by day labor; provided that at any time the Commission may, in its discretion, expend by day labor for construction work an amount not exceeding Twenty-five Hundred Dollars without advertising or receiving bids. All such contracts shall be protected by such bonds, penalties and conditions as the Commission may require, all of which shall be enforced in any Court having jurisdiction.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted,* That for the purpose of paying the interest and providing the Sinking Fund for the bonds issued by said Commission as in this Act provided for the water supply, sewerage and drainage systems to be constructed, purchased or established under this Act, the said Commission is hereby empowered and directed to establish a proper and reasonable charge for connection with said water supply, sewerage and drainage system so to be constructed, purchased or established as aforesaid, and to fix an annual assessment on all properties, improved or unimproved, binding upon a street, road, lane, alley or right-of-way in which a water main, sewer or drain has been built. The said annual assessment shall be made upon the front foot basis and the first payment shall when practicable be collected during the year in which the construction is started on the water supply, sewerage or drainage systems, or in which the systems are purchased or