

systems, or other works, remove such conduit, main, pipe, pole or other structure or change the location thereof at the cost and expense of the party so putting them in, or their heirs, assigns or successors, and without any liability upon the part of the Commission for damage that might be done to the same by reason of the Commission's operations in constructing or maintaining its systems or works. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor punishable under Section 21 of this sub-title.

SEC. 21. *And be it further enacted*, That every act or omission designated as a misdemeanor in this Act, unless otherwise provided, shall be punishable by any trial magistrate, or the Circuit Court of the county within which such offense is committed; and the offender shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine not exceeding One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, or to confinement for not more than thirty (30) days in the county jail, or both, in the discretion of the magistrate or circuit court. Where such act or omission is of a continuing nature and is persisted in, in violation of the provisions of this Act or of any rule or regulation formulated thereunder, a conviction for one offense shall not be a bar to a conviction for a continuation of such offense subsequent to the first or any succeeding conviction.

SEC. 22. *And be it further enacted*, That any land owned by a church, and constituting the premises occupied by such or its parsonage, and used exclusively for public worship or for other religious or customary purposes of a church or parsonage and not for investment, gain or other secular purposes, shall be exempt from the benefit assessments provided for by this Act in respect of a frontage of not exceeding 150 feet. The Commission may, in its discretion, exercise in each individual case, grant or withhold a further exemption of the land so owned and used in respect of any frontage thereof in excess of 150 feet hereinbefore provided for.

SEC. 23. *And be it further enacted*, That the Commission shall be, and it is hereby authorized to prescribe all needful rules and regulations for the administration and enforcement of this Act.

SEC. 24. *And be it further enacted*, That nothing in this Act contained shall be deemed or construed to authorize the condemnation of any property in Howard County owned or controlled by the County Commissioners of Howard County.

SEC. 25. *And be it further enacted*, That all Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be, and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency; provided that nothing herein contained shall be