

gallons per day for each inmate thereof. For the purposes of this Section, a charitable institution is herein defined to be one whose object is primarily eleemosynary.

The Commission shall collect its usual water rates, including a meter service charge, from all State, County or Municipal buildings used in part or whole for municipal purposes in both Counties in the Sanitary District except Volunteer Fire Departments recognized by the County Commissioners of the respective Counties, notwithstanding any law or ordinance to the contrary.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1943.

Approved May 4, 1943.

CHAPTER 526.

(House Bill 430)

AN ACT to authorize the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to establish and maintain a storm water or surface drainage system within the Washington Suburban Sanitary District, and to provide for the levying and collecting of the necessary charges for the construction and maintenance of such system.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission is hereby authorized, when in its judgment it is deemed expedient or necessary to plan, design, construct, maintain, and operate a system for the control and disposition of surface waters within the limits of the Washington Suburban Sanitary District, and for such purpose, said Commission is given all of the power and authority, including the right to condemn, heretofore given it by law, in the construction and operation of its water and sewer system, and the right and authority to negotiate with any public agency and to make contracts with such agency, including the Government of the United States or any bureau or department thereof.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the said Commission shall prepare, as soon as it deems it expedient, a comprehensive general plan for the control and disposition of surface waters within the limits of the Sanitary District, and shall thereupon divide said District into drainage areas or districts determined, as near as may be, by topography or the