

for said drainage district or a part thereof, including the length and size of pipes, the approximate cost, and the general area to be affected by any tax or assessment levied for the construction or maintenance of said system. If after such hearing, the District Heights Commission determines that the public's health and welfare requires the construction of said system, it shall thereupon proceed with such construction, either by contract, publicly advertised, or by its own force, or under its own supervision as it may deem desirable and more economical.

473-F. For the purpose of providing for the payment of the principal and the interest on the bonds so issued by the District Heights Commission for the construction of drainage systems, there shall be levied by the Commission a drainage system assessment against all of the properties within said drainage area served by said system whether immediately or remotely, which the Commission determines to be benefited by said system, based on the area served of all of the property belonging to any owner within said drainage area and so benefited, which tax or assessment shall be uniform throughout the area affected. Such tax or assessment shall be levied annually in a sufficient amount to meet the principal and interest requirements of the bonds outstanding, the proceeds of which went into the construction or reconstruction of the drainage system and such tax or assessment may be graduated from year to year as the bonds are retired. Before any such tax or assessment is levied the District Heights Commission shall mail to the best obtainable addresses of the owners of all properties within said drainage district or part thereof upon which it is proposed to levy a tax or assessment, notice that said tax or assessment is to be levied and giving said property owners an opportunity to be heard thereon at a time and place fixed in said notice, and at said hearing the District Heights Commission may adjust said tax or assessment, maintaining, however, a rule of uniformity as to the base rate or percentage of levy.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall not become effective until it shall have been submitted to the qualified voters of the Town of District Heights, in Prince George's County, at the next regular municipal election, or at a special election to be held on such date as shall be determined by the Town Commissioners of said Town.

Approved April 29, 1949.