

or semi-annually, as the Commissioners of Betterton may determine, to each property served, and shall thereupon be payable at the office of the Commissioners of Betterton. If any bill shall remain unpaid for sixty days after having been sent out by the Commissioners of Betterton, it shall be collectible against the owner of the property served, in the same manner as other debts are collectible in the Town of Betterton.

SEC. 11. *And be it further enacted*, That every act or omission designated as a misdemeanor in this Act, unless otherwise provided, shall be punishable before a Justice of Peace, or the Circuit Court for Kent County, and shall be brought by warrant or indictment upon the oath or information of any member of said Commissioners of Betterton, or any employee thereof, and the Offender shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine not exceeding One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), or thirty days in the County Jail, or both, in the discretion of the Court. Where such act or omission is of a continuous nature, and is persisted in, in violation of the provisions of this Act, or any rule or regulation formulated thereunder, a conviction from one offense shall not be a bar to a conviction for a continuation of such offenses subsequent to the first or any succeeding conviction.

SEC. 12. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act and the bonds issued thereunder are hereby specifically exempted from the provisions of Sections 33-36, inclusive, of Article 31, title "Debt—Public" of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), and 1947 supplement and all amendments thereto.

SEC. 13. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency Act and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members of the two Houses of the General Assembly the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 22, 1949.

CHAPTER 270

(Senate Bill 375)

AN ACT to authorize and direct the County Commissioners of Charles County to borrow upon the faith and credit of said County an amount not to exceed Two