

the water shall not be turned on again until said bill shall have been paid, including a penalty of Two Dollars. If any bill shall remain unpaid for sixty days after being sent by the Commission, it shall be collectible from the owner of the property served in the same manner as other debts are collectible in the county and said ready-to-serve charge, other service charges and all penalties shall be a first lien against said property. *The sewer service charge shall be made on whatever reasonable basis the Commission selects and may be collected on an annual, semi-annual or quarterly basis. Neither the dates of collection nor the intervals between such dates need be uniform throughout the district. If any bill for said sewer service charge remains unpaid for sixty days after being sent by the Commission, it shall be collectible from the owner of the property served in the same manner as other debts are collectible in the county, and shall be a first lien against said property.*

*Funds collected by the Commission under this section of this sub-title may be, but need not be if the Commission does not desire it, placed in whole or in part in the "Joint Sinking Fund Account" or in the "Current Interest and Sinking Fund" as provided for in Sections 504 and 523 of this sub-title.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure 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 elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 6, 1953.

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## CHAPTER 361

(House Bill 605)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 18 of Article 57 of the Annotated Code of Maryland

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EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.