

CHAPTER 648

(House Bill 373)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 1578 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1953 Edition), being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Washington Suburban Sanitary District", said section being also Section 130-35 of the Montgomery County Code (1950 Edition), being Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Montgomery County", sub-title "Washington Suburban Sanitary District", relating generally to charges for water service in the Sanitary District.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 1578 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1953 Edition), being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Washington Suburban Sanitary District", said section being also Section 130-35 of the Montgomery County Code (1950 Edition), being Article 16 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Montgomery County", sub-title "Washington Suburban Sanitary District", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

1578 (130-35) (a) For the purpose of providing funds for maintaining, repairing and operating its water supply, sewers and drainage systems, including the over-head expense and proper depreciation allowance, together with funds for making such payments as may be made to the Commissioners of the District of Columbia as hereinafter specified, said Commission shall be empowered and directed to make such service rates as it may deem necessary, chargeable against all properties for a connection with any pipe under its ownership; said rates shall be uniform throughout the Sanitary District, but shall be changed from time to time, as necessary, except (a) that the charge for water service used in Gaithersburg and Washington Grove until such time as they are brought within the general system shall be based upon actual cost of supplying water to said communities; and (b) *whenever the Commission shall furnish water to Federal, State or other agencies which are exempt from front foot benefit charges and/or ad valorem taxes imposed under the provisions of Chapter 122 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1918, and amendments thereto, the Commission shall make such charge, with full authority to change the same from time to time, for water service as it shall deem necessary and reasonable, which charge shall take into consideration the general tax, and front foot benefit charge levied within the Sanitary District in addition to the regular rate for service as provided in paragraph (b) hereof;* and provided further, that wherever the Commission, because of public necessity, has extended its water mains beyond the boundaries of the Washington Suburban Sanitary District, it may make such further extensions out of the

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.