Edition), being Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Harford County", sub-title "Metropolitan Commission", as said sections were enacted by Chapter 679 of the Acts of 1953, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Whenever twenty-five property owners, residing in any locality in Harford County, shall, in writing, signed with their respective names and addresses, petition the Commission to have said locality, (the boundaries whereof shall be definitely stated in said petition) constituted as a new sanitary district, the Commission, if it approves, shall cause to be made a preliminary engineering survey of the project to determine the feasibility and probable cost of providing such area with utilities, whether water, sewer or otherwise. If the Commission disapproves of the project or is unable or unwilling to undertake or obtain such preliminary engineering survey, it shall so inform the petitioners by mail giving to each of said petitioners an estimate of the cost of making or obtaining such a preliminary engineering survey and no further action shall be taken on said project unless and until the persons signing the petition therefor cause the estimated cost of such preliminary engineering survey to be paid to the Commission, who shall then proceed to make or obtain such preliminary engineering survey. As soon as the data from such preliminary engineering survey is available, the Commission shall call a meeting of the owners of property in said district and at said meeting inform them of the results of the preliminary engineering survey, the probable costs, etc. If on a vote, a majority of the owners of property in the area present at said meeting approve of the area becoming a sanitary district, then the Commission shall call another meeting of the owners of property in said area; such second meeting not to be held until at least thirty days after the first meeting, and notice of each meeting to be given by publication once a week for three consecutive weeks in two papers published in Harford County. The action taken at the first meeting and the data submitted thereat shall be resubmitted to the second meeting. The owners of property in the area present at said second meeting shall vote on the question of whether the area shall be a sanitary district and what utilities the Commission is authorized to install. The vote of a majority of owners of property in the area present at said meeting shall constitute final and affirmative approval of the matters thus adopted. provided that the second meeting shall not have any power to approve anything not approved by the first meeting, but on the other hand, may limit, define and restrict any action of the first meeting. The area described in the petition shall then be and become a sanitary district for the service or services approved by both meetings and the Commission shall cause plats of such locality to be made under the supervision of its chief engineer, showing the proposed water, sewerage or drainage systems, one copy of which plat shall be filed in the office of the Commission, one in the office of the County Commissioners and one in a plat book indexed "Harford County Metropolitan Commission", in the office where the land records of Harford County are kept; and upon the filing of said plat and the approval of said locality by the County Commissioners of said County and the Commission, such sanitary district shown on said plat shall be, and the same is hereby designated and constituted for the purposes of this sub-title to be a separate sanitary