

## CHAPTER 723

(House Bill 858)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 666 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Sanitary Districts", allowing the Sanitary Commission of Charles County to proceed by way of condemnation when offer is rejected for purchase of certain facilities in Charles County, and matters generally relating thereto.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 666 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Sanitary Districts", be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

666. After the passage of this sub-title, whenever the county or the property owners or residents of any locality in a district shall desire a water supply, sewerage or drainage system, or part thereof, to be constructed in that county or locality, and the commission shall decide that it is inexpedient or impracticable at that time, owing to the remoteness from its general system or other causes, to build such system, such county or persons may build and operate said system at its or their own expense, but it shall be constructed under plans and specifications prepared by the commission and under its supervision, and its maintenance and operation shall be under the general control of the commission; and no such system or part thereof, or no water main, sewer, water purification or sewage treatment plant, or no connection with any of them, shall be constructed or installed except as in this section provided, and any violation of this provision shall be a misdemeanor punishable under Section 669 of this sub-title. All construction and operating records, including cost records, shall be filed with the commission, which shall be empowered at any time to take over said system or part thereof, or said water main, sewer, storm water drain, water or sewerage treatment plant, or connect on with any of them in the same manner as provided under Section 665 for systems existing at the time of the passage of this sub-title. The commission shall be empowered to extend its water supply, sewerage or drainage systems into any area outside of any sanitary district contiguous thereto and not included in any other district or in the vicinity thereof, when the property owners of said area shall agree to the charges, assessments and conditions that may be imposed by the commission as hereinbefore outlined. *In Charles County, when an offer by the Sanitary Commission to purchase in the manner provided under Section 665 of the sub-title, a water supply, sewerage or drainage system constructed under the provisions of this section, is rejected or not accepted within 90 days by the developer or builder, the Sanitary Commission shall have the right to proceed in condemnation under the provision of Article 33A.*

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.