

104. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State [to publish from time to time a manual of the State of Maryland.] *to issue every two years a manual of the State of Maryland, said Manual to be compiled, edited and printed by the Hall of Records Commission.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved April 8, 1959.

CHAPTER 507

(House Bill 826)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, WITH AMENDMENTS, Section 163 of the Howard County Code (1957 Edition, being Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Howard County", sub-title "Planning and Subdivision Control", providing that where water mains and appurtenances or sewerage facilities are to be installed in a subdivision, the applicant shall be required to deliver to the Howard County Metropolitan Commission a certified check for the amount of the actual cost of engineering, supervision, construction and installation thereof, and shall not file a corporate surety bond in lieu of said certified check.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 163 of the Howard County Code (1957 Edition, being Article 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Howard County", sub-title "Planning and Subdivision Control", be, and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

163. Regulations; What to Include; Procedure.

(a) Before exercising the powers referred to in Section 162 the Howard County Planning Commission shall prepare regulations governing the subdivision of land within its jurisdiction. Such regulations may provide for the proper arrangement of streets, in relation to other existing planned streets and to the master plan, for adequate and convenient open spaces for traffic, utilities, access of fire-fighting apparatus, recreation, health, light and air, and for the avoidance of congestion of population, including minimum width and area of lots.

(b) Such regulations may include provision as to the extent to which streets and other ways shall be graded and improved and to which water and sewer and other utility water mains, piping, or other facilities shall be installed as a condition precedent to the approval of the plat. The regulations or practice of the Planning Commission may provide for a tentative approval of the plat previous to

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.