

CHAPTER 411

(Senate Bill 437)

AN ACT to add new Sections 387A and 387B to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Water, Ice, and Sewage", SEWERAGE", to follow immediately after Section 387 thereof, providing that the State Board of Health shall be charged with assisting the development of comprehensive master plans for the construction of basic sewerage systems and further providing a method of assisting counties and municipalities in the construction thereof.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Sections 387A and 387B be and they are hereby added to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Water, Ice, and Sewage", SEWERAGE", said new sections to follow immediately after Section 387 thereof, and to read as follows:

387A. The State Board of Health shall be charged with the duty of assisting the counties and municipalities of the State in developing comprehensive master plans for the construction of the basic main facilities of sewerage systems for the collection and disposal of sewage and industrial wastes from lateral or collector sewers. The term "basic main facilities" shall be construed to include sewage treatment plants, intercepting sewers, outfall sewers, pumping stations and force mains connected therewith, as distinguished from lateral or collector pipes serving specific properties or developments. The Board shall endeavor in the development of the master plans of the several counties and municipalities of the State and in its approval of the construction of sanitary facilities, pursuant to its powers under this sub-title, to coordinate plans upon a regional basis in those cases in which regional planning is deemed advisable. IN THOSE AREAS OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY AND MONTGOMERY COUNTY UNDER THE JURISDICTION AND AUTHORITY OF THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO WATER AND SEWERAGE FACILITIES, THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION RELATING TO COUNTIES, MUNICIPALITIES, OR ANY AGENCY THEREOF, SHALL INCLUDE THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION, AND WITH RESPECT TO SAID COMMISSION THE AUTHORITY GRANTED HEREBY SHALL BE IN ADDITION TO, BUT NOT IN DEROGATION OF, THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY ANY OTHER ACT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND.

387B. (a) A Sanitary Facilities Construction Fund is hereby established, and it shall consist of such funds as are provided in the State's annual budget. The fund shall be available to the Board, both to finance local planning for sewage facilities upon an equal matching basis with counties, municipalities, or any agency thereof and 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.