

shall be extended into any territory not occupied by it at the time of the passage of this Act, within the limits of Baltimore city as fixed by this Act, without the consent of the Board of Estimates of Baltimore city. The Board of Estimates shall grant such privilege when applied for under the same conditions and upon the same terms as are hereinabove stated with regard to water companies. The territory occupied by any water company or sewerage company shall be construed to mean all the territory which is reasonably near to any supply pipe of such company and which may be considered naturally tributary thereto. "Supply pipe" shall mean any water pipe or sewer pipe other than house connections.

Full power and authority is hereby given to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, any water works, water pipes, sewage disposal plant, sewers and any other property of any kind situate within the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore city, which may be needed for any public purpose. In any such purchase or condemnation, compensation for the property taken shall be considered to include the value of the property taken and such damages, if any, as the owner thereof may suffer by reason of such taking. Nothing herein shall be construed to impose any obligation upon the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to purchase any private drains or sewers which may have been constructed in any portion of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore city prior to the passage of this Act and which are not connected with any sewage disposal plant. Nothing in this Act shall be taken or construed as affecting the right of any company or corporation owning or operating a water or sewerage system in the territory annexed to Baltimore city by this Act to make any improvements or construct, maintain, lay or operate any additional pipes or appurtenances in, under or upon private rights-of-way or upon private property, but this provision shall not limit the right of purchase or condemnation hereinabove given to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to give authority to furnish water or to operate a sewerage plant or system in any portion of the territory annexed by this Act to Baltimore city, to any company or corporation which is not otherwise entitled to do so. The words "company" or "corporation" in this section shall be construed to include any person or persons, firm or association.'"