

respect to water supply and sewage collection and disposal systems in the Washington Suburban Sanitary District.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 1575 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1953 Edition), and Section 73-60 of the Montgomery County Code (1960 Edition), being Articles 17 and 16, respectively, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, titles "Prince George's County," and "Montgomery County," subtitle "Washington Suburban Sanitary District," as said sections were enacted by Chapter 122 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1918, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

1575. (73-60). Permits for construction; regulations.

Before any plumbing, water works or sewer construction is done in any building, or upon any private property, within the Sanitary District, the person, firm or corporation doing the same shall first obtain a permit from said Commission and pay therefor such reasonable sum as the Commission may prescribe. Such work shall be done under and pursuant to such rules, regulations and requirements as the Commission may from time to time formulate, and subject to such inspection as may be deemed necessary. No connection of any kind shall be made with any water main or sewer, constructed or maintained by said Commission, without a permit and under such conditions as said Commission may authorize. In order to prevent waste of water, said Commission shall have the right of entry at reasonable hours to all buildings or premises having any connection with the water supply or sewerage systems under its jurisdiction, and may order and require such changes in all plumbing, water works or water or sewer connections as it may deem necessary to eliminate leakage, loss of water or unnecessary use of sewers. No private or semi-public water supply or sewerage installation intended for the use of two or more buildings or premises shall be constructed in said Sanitary District without the person, firm or corporation doing the work having first obtained a permit from said Commission and paid a reasonable charge therefor, and such plant shall then be installed, maintained and operated under such rules and regulations as said Commission may require or devise. *The Commission is authorized to fix and collect from the owners or operators of such systems a reasonable fee for its supervision and inspection. Whenever an owner or operator of such system fails or refuses to make any correction or fails or refuses to maintain and operate the system in compliance with the Commission's requirements, the Commission may make the correction or, if necessary, take over for so long a period as may be necessary for the operation of the system, and collect the costs therefor from the owners or operators.* Any violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor punishable under Section 1601 (73-89) of this subtitle.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.

Approved April 17, 1963.