

as last amended by Chapter 816 of the Acts of 1957; adding to this section which prescribes generally that the Board of County Commissioners of St. Mary's County must supply to the county or residents of a locality therein who desire to construct a water supply, sewerage or drainage system the necessary plans and specifications therefor and shall supervise, control and maintain the operation, the provision that said Commissioners shall not supply said services when or until they are either reimbursed for same or that payment for same shall be properly assured to them.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 191 of Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "St. Mary's County", sub-title "Sanitary Districts", as last amended by Chapter 816 of the Acts of 1957, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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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; *however all costs to the County Commissioners for such services, i.e., to draw up the plans and specifications and to supervise, maintain or control and such construction project, shall be paid for in advance by the county or by the property owners or individuals concerned, or said payment shall be properly assured to the Board before it shall be required to proceed;* 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 195 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 190 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.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That nothing in this Act shall be construed or interpreted to authorize the Commission to acquire by condemnation any municipally owned or operated water and/or sewage treatment facilities.