- (b) The Treasurer of the Citizens' Committee shall deposit all funds coming into his possession as Treasurer in such bank as may be approved by the Committee, and they shall not be paid out except by check duly signed by him as Treasurer and countersigned by the Chairman, or by some member of the Committee acting as Chairman, and so authorized to act by resolution of the Committee, which must first be spread upon the minutes of said Committee.
- (c) The Citizens' Committee may employ an accountant to audit its books and accounts. The Citizens' Committee shall always keep available and open to public inspection in Bel Air its books and accounts.
- SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That before the provisions of this act become effective, the County Commissioners and the Board of Supervisors of Election of Allegany County shall submit the question to persons of legal age who reside in or own property in Bel Air on the date of the election. The referendum shall be held within 120 days after the effective date of this Act. Due notice of the referendum shall be given by public posters in the Bel Air Special Tax Area. The cost of the referendum shall be paid out of the general funds of the County Commissioners, and it shall be conducted in accordance with the regular elections procedures of the County except as modified herein. Suitable provisions shall be made in those polling places designated for residents or owners of real property in Bel Air for a referendum vote on this Act. Printed on the ballots or on the voting machine labels there shall be the words "For a Lighting Tax Area" and "Against a Lighting Tax Area," with suitable provisions made for each voter to register his choice on this question. If a majority of the persons voting on the question cast their ballots marked "For a Lighting Tax Area," this Act becomes of full force and effect as of the day of the official canvass of the votes; but if a majority of the persons voting on this question cast their vote "Against a Lighting Tax Area," this Act is null and void.
- SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That consistently with the provisions of Section 2 of this Act, this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 11, 1965.

## CHAPTER 172

(Senate Bill 569)

AN ACT relating to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission; to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 83-57 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1963 Edition, being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Prince George's County", sub-title "83. Washington