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Before any plumbing, water works, or sewer construction is done in any building or upon any private property within any sanitary district the person, the firm or corporation doing the same shall first obtain a permit from the 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 it may deem necessary. No connection of any kind shall be made with any water main or sewer constructed or maintained by the Commission without a permit and under such conditions as the Commission may authorize. In order to prevent waste of water the Commission or its agents or employees shall have the right of entry at reasonable hours to all buildings or premises connected with the water supply or sewerage systems under its jurisdiction, and may, upon presenting proper credentials from the Commission, order and require such changes in all plumbing, water works or water or sewer connection as it may deem necessary to eliminate leakage, loss of water or unnecessary or improper use of sewers. The said Commission shall exercise control of the water supply at all times, and in case of a shortage of water, or if, for any other reason, the Commission, in the exercise of its discretion, should determine that the water supply should be conserved, the consumers, upon notice from said Commission, its agents or employees, or upon notice published in one newspaper published in said county for one insertion, shall comply with any order passed by said Commission to conserve the water supply. Any violation of said order shall be a misdemeanor punishable under Section [21] 195 of this sub-title, and in addition to the penalty prescribed the Commission may turn off said water supply of any person violating said order at any time without further notice. No private or semi-public water supply or sewerage installation, intended for use of two or more buildings or premises, shall be constructed in any sanitary district without the person, firm or corporation doing the work having first obtained a permit from the Commission and paid a reasonable charge therefor, and such plant shall then be installed, maintained and operated under such rules and regulations as the Commission may require or devise. The Commission shall have full and complete jurisdiction over all fire hydrants connected with its water system and no person, firm or corporation shall operate, use or make connection with the same without the written authority of the Commission, excepting that no restrictions shall apply to any bona fide fire department in the discharge of its duties. No person, firm or corporation shall tamper with, deface, damage or obstruct any fire hydrant. Any violation of any of the provisions of this section shall be a misdemeanor punishable under Section [21] 195 of this sub-title.

186.

All sums collected by the Commission for benefits levied against the property for water supply, sewerage or drainage construction shall be set aside as a separate fund to be known and designated as the Metropolitan District Account. The Commission, in order to determine the amount which it may deem necessary to be levied under Section [6] 180, shall deduct such amount as the Commission may estimate that it will be able to collect out of the benefits theretofore levied by it but not yet paid, from the whole amount necessary to be