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Whenever twenty-five property owners, residing in any locality in St. Mary's County, shall in writing petition the Commission to have said locality, (the boundaries whereof shall be definitely stated in said petition) constituted as a new sanitary district, then if the Commission in its discretion shall deem it expedient to constitute said locality as a sanitary district in accordance with the prayer of said petition, and if the County Commissioners consent thereto, the Commission shall cause plats of such locality to be made under the supervision of its chief engineer, showing the proposed water, sewerage or drainage systems, one copy of which plat shall be filed in the office of the Commission, one in the office of the County Commissioners and one in a plat book indexed "St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission", in the office where the land records of St. Mary's County are kept; and upon the filing of said plat and the approval of said locality by the County Commissioners of said County and the Commission, such sanitary district shown on said plat shall be, and the same is hereby designated and constituted for the purpose of this subtitle to be a separate sanitary district, and shall be given by the Commission a distinctive name and shall be subject to all the provisions of this subtitle, and the filing of said plat shall constitute legal notice to the public of such action of the Commission. That for the purpose of providing for the organization and preliminary expenses of any newly constituted sanitary district, the County Commissioners shall furnish the Commission with a sum not exceeding [five] *ten* thousand dollars [(\$5,000.00)] (\$10,000.00), which shall be repaid out of the first bond issue of the particular district.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1966.

Approved April 14, 1966.

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CHAPTER 175

(Senate Bill 577)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 161 of the Code of Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County (1965 Edition, being Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "St. Mary's County", subtitle "Sanitary Districts", as added, last amended by Chapter 816 of the Acts of 1957; to provide increases in the per centum of total issue of bonds to be issued for the use of the Sanitary Commission to the total value of property assessed for county taxation purposes within a sanitary district and to increase the sum to be allotted to the Sanitary Commission, prior to the issuance of any bonds, by the County Commissioners of St. Mary's County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 161 of the Code of Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County (1965 Edition, being Article 19 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "St. Mary's County", subtitle "Sanitary Districts", as added, last amended by Chapter 816 of the Acts of