

amount paid to it for said system for the purchase or redemption of any bonds or debt which may be outstanding against the same. The district shall not purchase any existing water mains, sewers or systems, in whole or in part, which are improperly constructed or are not of sufficient capacity or were constructed without proper authority from the State Department of Health since the passage of the law requiring the same.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1967.

Approved April 21, 1967.

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CHAPTER 551

(Senate Bill 624)

AN ACT to add new Section 654 (e) to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Health," subtitle "Sanitary Districts," to follow immediately after Section 654 (d) thereof, to authorize sanitary commissions to issue refunding bonds for the purpose of refunding, paying or discharging all or part of outstanding bonds previously issued for construction of water or sewerage facilities.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That new Section 654 (e) be and is hereby added to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Health," subtitle "Sanitary Districts," to follow immediately after Section 654 (d) thereof, and to read as follows:

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*(e) The commission in any district is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds to refund, pay or discharge all or any part of its outstanding bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, including interest thereon, issued to finance the acquisition or construction of sewerage or water projects, including real property, or any part of such facilities. The relevant provisions of this subtitle pertaining to bonds shall be equally applicable in the authorization and issuance of such refunding bonds, including their terms, rates and other aspects thereof.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1967.

Approved April 21, 1967.

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CHAPTER 552

(Senate Bill 625)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 657 (c) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1966 Supplement),