SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 658(a) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume), title "Health," subtitle "Sanitary Districts," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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For the purpose of retiring the bonds authorized to be issued by this subtitle and of paying the interest thereon, the commission shall cause to be levied, against all [assessable] real property within said sanitary districts for which said bonds have been issued, and may cause to be levied, against all assessable personal property within said district, by the governing body of the county or counties in which said sanitary districts are located annually so long as any of said bonds are outstanding and not paid, a tax sufficient to provide such sum as the commission may deem sufficient and necessary, in conjunction with any amounts that the commission may estimate that it will be able to collect out of the benefit assessments therefor levied by it but not yet paid and any further funds then available for the purpose, to meet the interest on said bonds as it becomes due and to pay the principal thereof as the bonds mature, and said tax shall be determined, levied, collected and paid over in the manner following, that is to say, at least sixty days before the tax levying period of each year, the governing body or governing bodies of the county or counties in which a sanitary district or sanitary districts lie shall certify to the commission the whole valuation of the [assessable] property to be so taxed within each sanitary district. The commission shall then determine in the manner above prescribed the amount which it deems necessary to be raised during the ensuing year for the payment of interest and principal of all bonds maturing in said year, and after deducting all amounts in hand or in contemplation applicable to payments of interest and principal on said bonds as hereinbefore and hereinafter in this subtitle provided, it shall determine the number of cents per \$100.00 necessary to raise the said amount for each such sanitary district and shall certify the same to the governing body or governing bodies of the county or counties in which such sanitary district or sanitary districts lie. The said governing body or governing bodies in their next annual levy shall levy said ad valorem tax on all land and improvements and all other property [assessed for county tax purposes] to be so taxed within the respective sanitary district or, in the case of a sanitary district lying in two or more counties, within that portion of the respective sanitary district lying within a particular county, which tax shall be levied and collected and have the same priority rights, bear the same interest and penalties and in every respect be treated the same as county taxes. The tax so levied for the ensuing year shall be collected by the respective tax collecting authorities and every sixty days they shall remit the whole amount of the tax so collected to the commission to the credit of the district. From the money so received, together with the amount in hand applicable to payments of interest and principal on said bonds as hereinbefore and hereinafter in this subtitle provided, the commission shall first pay all interest and principal on said bonds as the same become due, and shall then deposit the residue of said moneys received from the levy of the ad valorem tax herein authorized in some bank