

by the owner of the property, whereupon the property shall be classified and the benefit charge shall commence and run for the total number of years, at the rate for such class, which it would have run had it been established at the time of the original construction. *If property in the Sanitary District is at the time of construction of a Commission water line or sanitary sewer line connected to a public water system or public sewer system operated either by a municipality or by a water or sewer company subject to the requirements of the Maryland State Department of Health, such property shall be exempt from the imposition and collection of a Sanitary District front foot benefit assessment until it is served by or connected to the Commission's water or sanitary sewerage system, as the case may be.* THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION RELATIVE TO THE EXEMPTION FROM FRONT FOOT BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS OF PROPERTIES SERVED BY ANOTHER PUBLIC WATER OR SEWER SYSTEM ARE NOT INTENDED TO, NOR SHALL THEY, SUPERSEDE OR MODIFY THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTIONS (C) AND (D) OF SECTION 83-42 (71-1A) OF THIS SUBTITLE WITH RESPECT TO THE SUBDIVISION KNOWN AS CALVERT MANOR. ANY LAND OR PROPERTY EXEMPTED FROM OR WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THERE IS A SUSPENSION OF FRONT FOOT BENEFIT CHARGES, SHALL BECOME LIABLE TO A BENEFIT ASSESSMENT CHARGE AT A RATE AND FOR A PERIOD OF TIME NOT LESS THAN THE RATE AND NUMBER OF YEARS WHICH WOULD HAVE APPLIED AT THE TIME OF EXEMPTION OR SUSPENSION, WHEN THE EXEMPTION OR SUSPENSION CONDITION IS NO LONGER APPLICABLE PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS HEREOF WHICH ESTABLISHED SUCH CONDITION IN THE FIRST INSTANCE.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That 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 yeas and nays 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 April 10, 1968.

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CHAPTER 162

(Senate Bill 629)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 40 of Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume), title "Zoning and Planning", subtitle "Historic Area Zoning", and to add new Section 40A to said Article, title and subtitle of said Code to follow immediately after Section 40 thereof to permit historic district Commissions to accept gifts and to acquire architectural easement.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 40 of Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland