19-22.

Every act or omission designated as a misdemeanor in this chapter, unless otherwise provided, shall be punishable by any trial magistrate or the circuit court of the county within which such offense is committed, and the offender shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or to confinement for not more than thirty (30) days in the county jail, or both, in the discretion of the magistrate or circuit court. Where such act or omission is of a continuing nature and is persisted in, in violation of the provisions of this chapter or any rule or regulation formulated thereunder, a conviction for one offense shall not be a bar to the conviction for a continuation of such offense subsequent to the first or any succeeding conviction.

19-23.

Any land owned by a church, and constituting the premises occupied by such or its parsonage, and used exclusively for public worship or for other religious or customary purposes of a church or parsonage and not for investment, gain or other secular purposes, and any land owned by any private eleemosynary corporation wherein is conducted a school or schools, shall be exempt from the benefit assessments provided for by this chapter in respect of a frontage of not exceeding 150 feet. The [commission] Department may, in its discretion, exercise in each individual case, grant or withhold a further exemption of the land so owned and used in respect of any frontage thereof in excess of 150 feet hereinbefore provided for.

19-24.

The **[**commission**]** *Department* shall be, and it is hereby authorized to prescribe all needful rules and regulations for the administration and enforcement of this chapter.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.

Approved May 17, 1971.

CHAPTER 485

(Senate Bill 699)

AN ACT to waive the provisions of Section 10 of Chapter 409 of the Acts of 1969, this section relating to the time by which projects contained in the General Construction Loan of 1969 must be placed under contract, insofar as this section relates to the following item contained in the General Construction Loan of 1969: Section 5 (I) (4) (a) Installation of Sprinkler System in Various Buildings, Rosewood State Hospital; and to extend for two (2) years SIX MONTHS the period during which this item may be placed under construction.