

sewer or water or drainage facilities are needed and can be supplied by the Commission on a self-supporting basis, the Commission with the approval of the County Commissioners may prescribe boundary lines to encompass the densely populated areas, and it may refer to the area as a sanitary sub-district. In that district, in lieu of front-foot assessments, the Commission may impose an equal benefit assessment on each of the properties, or a benefit assessment on each of the properties calculated by a square footage benefit standard, which assessments shall be in whatever amount is required to pay the total cost of providing and installing the public utilities for the sanitary sub-district. Procedures as to public hearings, approval of the County Commissioners, and the assessments shall be conducted in the same manner as provided in Section 448. Should any lot owner in that sanitary sub-district divide his lot, and water or sewer services be provided therefor, the same assessment shall be imposed as on other properties.

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

Approved April 23, 1971.

CHAPTER 82

(Senate Bill 395)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 446 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Harford County (1965 Edition, being Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Harford County", subtitle "Metropolitan Commission", as added by Chapter 469 of the Acts of 1969, to provide for loans to the Metropolitan Commission by the Harford County Commissioners or by Banks and relating generally to loans to the Metropolitan Commission of Harford County, and to clarify the language therein.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 446 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Harford County (1965 Edition, being Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Harford County", subtitle "Metropolitan Commission", as enacted by Chapter 469 of the Acts of 1969, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

446.

(a) For the purpose of assisting the construction of needed sanitary facilities, the County Commissioners may make loans to the Commission under appropriate written agreements for repayment. The County Commissioners may make general fund appropriations or borrow funds for this purpose, upon [such] *whatever* terms and conditions as they deem right and proper.

(b) The Metropolitan Commission may borrow [direct] *directly* from any bank or trust company, on short term notes signed by