

## CHAPTER 414

(House Bill 890)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 83-77(c) and 83-78(c) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1963 Edition), and Section 71-26(c) and 71-27(c) of the Montgomery County Code (1965 Edition), being Articles 17 and 16, respectively, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, titled "Prince George's County" and "Montgomery County," subtitled "Washington Suburban Sanitary District," to eliminate the necessity of inspection by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission of sewage treatment facilities which are not owned by the Commission when operational inspection is being performed by the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 83-77(c) and 83-78(c) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (1963 Edition), and Sections 71-26(c) and 71-27(c) of the Montgomery County Code (1965 Edition), being Articles 17 and 16, respectively, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, titled "Prince George's County" and "Montgomery County," subtitled "Washington Suburban Sanitary District," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

## 83-77 (71-26).

(c) Upon the completion of any such project the individual, firm or corporation constructing the same shall file with said Commission as a permanent record a certified copy of the plans in full, showing the work as built, and such record shall be of such character and such forms as may be prescribed by the Commission. Any water supply, sewage collection and disposal system, including oxidation ponds or sewage lagoons, for the construction, alteration or extension of which a permit is required under this section, and is not exempt from the requirements for a permit pursuant to subsection (e) of this section, shall be installed, maintained and operated under such rules and regulations as the Commission may require or devise. The Commission is authorized and directed to make inspections of the operations of all such projects and to require the owners or operators thereof to maintain and operate them in compliance with the Commission's requirements and with due regard to public health, safety and comfort. The Commission is authorized to fix and collect from the owners or operators of such systems a reasonable fee for its supervision and inspection. Whenever an owner or operator of such system fails or refuses to make any correction or fails or refuses to maintain and operate the system in compliance with the Commission's requirements, the Commission may make the correction or, if necessary, take over for so long a period as may be necessary for the operation of the system, and collect the costs therefor from the owners or operators; provided, however, that where a municipality owns or operates such a system and performs, or has performed for it, bacteriological and chemical analyses by qualified personnel, as approved by the Maryland State Department of Health and the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, and files monthly reports of such analyses with the said Commission showing that satisfactory operating conditions cur-