

SEC. 3. Section 22-38, Chapter 22, titled "Sewers, Sewage Disposal and Drainage," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

22-38. Law creating district to specify boundaries, scope of work and costs.

As to each district or subdistrict created under this Article, the law shall designate the boundaries of such area and shall describe generally that part of the drainage system within such area proposed to be improved. The law shall contain a statement of the estimated cost of such construction, and an estimate of the annual cost of repairing and efficiently maintaining the facilities therein after initial construction.

SEC. 4. Section 22-39, Chapter 22, titled "Sewers, Sewage Disposal and Drainage," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

22-39. Financing generally.

The law shall provide for a method of financing the construction of the facilities within such district or subdistrict. The method of financing may be by the issuance of bonds or by annual appropriations of operating funds available for drainage purposes as specified in the annual appropriation resolution of the County Council. Funds necessary for such facilities and the maintenance thereof may be obtained by the levy of a uniform ad valorem tax on all real property and tangible personal property now or hereafter taxable by law within such district or subdistrict or, in the alternative, the Council may provide that the cost of such facilities and the annual maintenance cost thereof be financed by a square foot benefit assessment, a front foot benefit assessment, or other type of special assessment on all real property within such district or subdistrict which it expects to be benefited by the construction. If a special benefit assessment is proposed, the law shall provide for the assessment on real property within the district and the method of payment, which method may be by equal annual installments over a period up to twenty years, and any additional annual assessment which is estimated to be required for the yearly repair and maintenance of the facilities.

SEC. 5. Section 22-40, Chapter 22, titled "Sewers, Sewage Disposal and Drainage," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

22-40. Contracts, cost sharing, etc.

In planning for the purpose of this Article, the County Executive shall have full power and authority to negotiate any and all appropriate contracts or agreements with the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, the government of the District of Columbia, and with