

by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all 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 March 27, 1972.

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## CHAPTER 14

(House Bill 1503)

AN ACT to add new Section 22B to the Code of Public Local Laws of Somerset County (1963 Edition, being Article 20 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Somerset County," subtitle "County Commissioners," to follow immediately after Section 22A thereof, as enacted by Chapter 638 of the Acts of 1967, authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Somerset County to make certain grants or loans to municipal corporations, sanitary districts or sub-districts in Somerset County, and relating generally to the amount, terms, conditions and purposes of these payments.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 22B be and it is hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Somerset County (1963 Edition, being Article 20 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Somerset County," subtitle "County Commissioners," to follow immediately after Section 22A thereof, as enacted by Chapter 638 of the Acts of 1967, and to read as follows:

*22B.*

*In addition to and not in substitution for the authority granted by Section 22A above, the Board of County Commissioners of Somerset County may grant or lend up to the sum of \$275,000 to assist municipal corporations, sanitary districts or sub-districts in Somerset County for the purpose of the development, creation, construction, enlargement, extension, or improvement of water or sewer systems, or both of them, or other related facilities or supplementary works, as in the discretion of the Board of County Commissioners is determined by them as necessary, appropriate, and proper to improve conditions of health, to relieve or remove hazards to the public health, or to promote the industrial, commercial, or residential development of a particular area. Loans made by the County Commissioners hereunder shall be upon such terms and conditions of repayment, bear such interest or no interest, and be secured, as the Commissioners in their sole discretion consider appropriate and proper. The Board of County Commissioners are authorized to borrow upon the faith and credit of Somerset County in order to obtain all or any part of the funds required to carry out the provisions of this Section, upon the County's general obligation bonds, revenue bonds, or notes. Further, if in their discretion it should be necessary, convenient or appropriate in order to carry out the purposes of this Section, the Commissioners are authorized to lend the credit of the County to such a municipality, sanitary district or sub-district, by*