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FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS FOR MAINTAINING, REPAIRING AND OPERATING ITS WATER SUPPLY, SEWERAGE, SOLID WASTE OR DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, AND FOR ITS OPERATION AND OTHER EXPENSES, INCLUDING PROPERTY DEPRECIATION ALLOWANCES, AND FOR INTEREST ON AND THE RETIREMENTS OF BONDS AS SPECIFIED IN THIS SUBTITLE, THE COUNTY MAY MAKE THE FOLLOWING CHARGES:

(A) THE RATES FOR WATER, SOLID WASTE AND SEWER SERVICE SHALL CONSIST OF A MINIMUM OR READY-TO-SERVE CHARGE. THESE RATES SHALL BE UNIFORM THROUGHOUT EACH SUCH SYSTEM OPERATED BY THE COUNTY FOR EACH CLASS OF PROPERTY BUT THE COUNTY MAY MAKE WHATEVER CLASSIFICATIONS AS IT DEEMS ADVISABLE WITHIN ANY SUCH SYSTEM. BILLS FOR WATER, SEWER AND SOLID WASTE CHARGES SHALL BE SENT QUARTERLY, SEMI-ANNUALLY OR ANNUALLY, AS THE COUNTY MAY DETERMINE, TO EACH PROPERTY SERVED AND SHALL BE PAYABLE AT THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY TREASURER OR WHATEVER OTHER PLACE AS THE COUNTY MAY DESIGNATE. IF ANY BILL REMAINS UNPAID AFTER THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SENDING, THE COUNTY, AFTER WRITTEN NOTICE LEFT UPON THE PREMISES OR MAILED TO THE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF THE OWNER, SHALL CEASE TO SERVE THE PROPERTY.

(B) THE CHARGE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND UPKEEP OF THE DRAINAGE SYSTEM AND THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM, IF ANY, SHALL BE MADE UPON WHATEVER REASONABLE BASIS AS THE COUNTY MAY DETERMINE AND SHALL BE COLLECTED ANNUALLY IN THE SAME MANNER AS ARE FRONT FOOT BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS AGAINST ALL PROPERTY BENEFITED BY THAT DRAINAGE SYSTEM OR HAVING A CONNECTION WITHIN A WATER MAIN OR SEWER UNDER THE OPERATION OR OWNERSHIP OF THE COUNTY AND SHALL BE A LIEN AGAINST THAT PROPERTY. THESE CHARGES SHALL BE BASED UPON WHATEVER CLASSIFICATIONS AS THE COUNTY, FROM TIME TO TIME, MAY ESTABLISH AND SHALL BE UNIFORM THROUGHOUT EACH SANITARY SYSTEM WITHIN EACH SUCH CLASSIFICATION.

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FRONT FOOT BENEFIT ASSESSMENT, SOLID WASTE SYSTEMS ASSESSMENTS, WATER, SEWER AND SOLID WASTE UPKEEP CHARGES, CONNECTION CHARGES, DRAINAGE CHARGES AND OTHER CHARGES WHICH THE COUNTY IS EMPOWERED TO MAKE PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL BE LIENS UPON THE PROPERTY SERVED OR BENEFITED AND, IN ADDITION TO BEING ENFORCED BY ACTIONS AT LAW, MAY BE ENFORCED BY A BILL IN EQUITY AGAINST THE PROPERTY SO SERVED OR BENEFITED. THE LIENS SHALL BE SUBJECT ONLY TO LIENS FOR STATE AND COUNTY TAXES. THESE CHARGES SHALL BE DUE WHEN MADE AND AFTER SIXTY (60) DAYS FROM THAT DATE SHALL BEAR INTEREST AT THE RATE OF ONE-HALF PER CENTUM (1/2%) PER MONTH. NEITHER THE DUE DATES NOR THE INTERVAL BETWEEN SUCH DATES NEED BE UNIFORM THROUGHOUT THE SANITARY DISTRICT.