

supplemental to authority granted under Section 663 of this subtitle; relating generally to the assessment; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 43 - Health  
Section 657(b)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 657(b) of Article 43 - Health, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

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(b) (1) Whenever any water supply or sewerage project in any sanitary district or sanitary districts shall have been completed by March 31st, in any one year, regardless of when [said] THE construction was commenced, then the [said] commission shall fix and levy a benefit charge as of the first day of July of the year in which the project was completed upon [said] THE water main or sewer, in accordance with the classification or subdivision thereof, and shall in writing, notify all owners of [said] THE properties into which class and subdivision their respective properties fall and the charge determined upon, naming also in [said] THE notice a time and place, when and at which time [said] THE owner will be heard. [Such] THE notice may be mailed to the last known address of the owner, or served in person upon any adult occupying the premises, or in case of a vacant or unimproved property posted upon the premises.

(2) In Allegany County, [any other section or subsections] NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION of this article [to the contrary notwithstanding], whenever any water supply or sewerage project in any sanitary district or districts shall be completed, the commission shall from that time be authorized to fix the annual benefit assessment in the manner provided for herein and shall be authorized to levy and collect a pro rata benefit charge for the remainder of the current fiscal year if any then remaining and, thereafter, shall levy and collect the annual benefit assessment charge in the manner provided for herein. The commission may direct that the water and sewer service be disconnected for nonpayment of service charges or benefit assessments.

~~(3) IN DORCHESTER COUNTY, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ARTICLE, THE DORCHESTER COUNTY SANITARY COMMISSION MAY FIX AND ASSESS A UNIFORM~~