

commission in the same proportion that the receipts of the respective functions bear to the total receipts of the commission.

(h) The General Assembly of Maryland hereby finds, determines and declares that the term "municipal corporation" in Article 11E of the Constitution of Maryland does not embrace or include the Washington Suburban Sanitary District which was incorporated by chapter 122 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1918. The Washington Suburban Sanitary District cannot be classified in any group of municipal corporations as required by [said] Article 11E, and [said] Article 11E therefore has no application to the Washington Suburban Sanitary District.

1-2. Staff organization and workings generally.

Notwithstanding anything contained in section [83-57] 1-1 to the contrary, the commission shall organize its staff in such manner as to promote the efficient disposition of all matters within its jurisdiction. It may organize its staff into departments or other divisional organizations, and it may establish the office of and utilize a general manager, all as the commission may deem necessary for carrying out the provisions of this [subtitle] ARTICLE. It shall have authority to appoint and prescribe the functions, duties and responsibilities of such officers as a secretary, a treasurer, a chief engineer, and a general counsel, and engineers, accountants, attorneys, inspectors and such engineering, legal, clerical and other force and help as, from time to time, in its judgment may be deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of this [subtitle] ARTICLE. The commission may appoint, discharge and fix the compensation of all its employees, and in so doing shall observe the requirements of the provisions of this [subtitle] ARTICLE concerning the merit system or classified service.

1-3. Incorporation; judgments; acquisition of property generally.

The members of [said] THE commission shall be a body corporate by the name of the "Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission," with the right to use a common seal, to sue and be sued, and to do any and all other corporate acts for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this [subtitle] ARTICLE. In the event of a judgment at law or in equity being recovered against [said] THE commission or for the purpose of amicably adjusting threatened or pending litigation, the commission shall at the annual tax levying period of the county council of Montgomery County and the county commissioners of Prince George's County next succeeding the rendition of [said] THE judgment or compromise, certify to [said] THE county council of Montgomery County and county commissioners of Prince George's County, a tax rate, in addition to that required for its interest, serial bonds and sinking fund requirements, that will, when levied and collected under the