

usage charge for the water so used, provided, however, that the owner, tenant or occupant of such lot or parcel shall pay to the commission the cost of installing such a separate metered connection as well as an annual amount equal to the commission's annual water service charge for the size of the meter so installed for measuring the water so used and which meter connection upon such payment shall be installed at a location to be determined by it and shall thereafter be maintained and exclusively controlled by the commission under such rules and regulations as the commission may adopt. Wherever the property of any federal, state or other agency is exempt from FRONT foot benefit charges and ad valorem taxes imposed under the provisions of chapter 122 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1918, and amendments thereto, and [said] THE property is connected to the commission's sewerage system, the commission shall make a sewer usage charge against [said] THE property so connected, with full authority to change the same from time to time, which charge shall take into consideration the general tax, and front foot benefit charge levied within the sanitary district in addition to the regular sewer usage charge provided herein. The sum so collected annually for the payment of principal and interest due on outstanding bonds shall be deducted from the amount which the commission has determined to be necessary to be raised by direct taxation upon certification to the county council and to the county commissioners of said counties. Bills for the amount of the charges shall be sent monthly, quarterly or semi-annually, as the commission may determine to each property connected to the sewerage system, and shall be thereupon payable at the office of the commission; and if any bill shall remain unpaid after 30 days from date of sending, the commission shall after written notice, to be left upon the premises or mailed to the last known address of the owner, turn off the water from the property in question and it shall not be turned on again until [said] THE bill shall have been paid. If any bills shall remain unpaid for 60 days after being sent out by the commission it shall be collectible against the owner of the property served, in the same manner as other debts are collectible in the respective counties. The provisions of this section shall not be construed as authority to repudiate any existing contracts between the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission and any municipality located within the Washington Suburban Sanitary District without the consent of the municipality.

4-11. Surface water drainage bonds.

For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of sections 3-7 to 3-12 and section 7-1 and constructing a storm water or surface drainage system, the commission is empowered, from time to time, to issue bonds in denominations and for terms not exceeding 25 years and at rates [not exceeding 4 percent, as it may determine] AS PROVIDED IN § 4-4 OF THIS ARTICLE, the bonds to be the general obligations of the Washington Suburban Sanitary