

LEAST 10 DAYS BEFORE THE HEARING IN A REGULARLY PUBLISHED NEWSPAPER IN ST. MARY'S COUNTY;

(3) THE OBTAINING OF A MAJORITY VOTE FROM THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO APPROVE THE PETITION; AND

(4) THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, STATING:

(I) STORM WATER DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS TO BE CONSTRUCTED;

(II) NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS TO BE ASSESSED;

(III) MATERIAL TERMS OF THE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT; AND

(IV) METHODS USED TO DETERMINE THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT LEVY.

C. THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL ADOPT:

(1) ADOPT RULES AND CONDITIONS NECESSARY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF STORM DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN A SPECIAL TAXING DRAINAGE DISTRICT;

(2) ~~A-METHOD-TO~~ DETERMINE THE ANNUAL BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS LEVIED AGAINST THE PROPERTIES BENEFITING FROM THE IMPROVMENTS, TO REIMBURSE THE COUNTY WITHIN 15 YEARS.

D. (1) ANNUAL BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS ARE A FIRST LIEN UPON THE PROPERTY AGAINST WHICH THEY ARE ASSESSED, UNTIL PAID, SUBJECT ONLY TO PRIOR STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

(2) IF ANY PROPERTY IS SOLD FOR STATE AND COUNTY TAXES AND THERE IS A SURPLUS, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY PETITION THE CIRCUIT COURT TO SECURE PAYMENT OF THEIR LIEN.

E. IF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONDEMN ANY LAND NECESSARY FOR THE SPECIAL TAXING DRAINAGE DISTRICT, THE PROCEDURES UNDER TITLE 12, OF THE REAL PROPERTY ARTICLE OF THE CODE, AND APPLICABLE SECTIONS OF ARTICLE 89B OF THE CODE ARE TO BE FOLLOWED.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, ~~That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1982~~ That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed by a ye 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.