carrying out [its] THE functions under this [subtitle] TITLE.

[11-18. Violations and penalties.

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this subtitle shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, on conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$500.]

COMMITTEE NOTE: Former Article 67, § 11-18 now appears in Title 18 of this article.

TITLE 12. ETHICS.

SUBTITLE 1. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND LOBBYING.

[(67 § 12-1).

Any member of the commission who is present at a meeting at which is discussed any matter in which he has, directly or indirectly, a pecuniary or property interest, shall declare his interest and shall refrain from casting a vote in respect of such matter.

(67 § 12-2).

- (a) The provisions of this section shall apply to all Washington Suburban Sanitary Commissioners appointed, reappointed or nominated by the Montgomery County executive under section 1-1 of this article. The words, "county council" as used in this section shall mean the Montgomery County council.
- (b) The commission shall maintain a minute or record book and therein record its actions in usual corporate form, but with respect to any action authorizing, modifying or rescinding a water, sanitary sewerage or storm drainage extension, or adopting or amending a water or sewer program of extensions the votes of the members shall be separately taken and recorded, by yeas, nays and abstentions, provided however the reasons for such abstention shall be recorded. The names of the respective commission members so voting or abstaining shall be included in the minute entry following a brief resume of the matter on which the vote was taken. The minute or record book shall be kept available and open to public inspection during business hours in the commission's principal office.

(c) (1) No commissioner shall:

(i) Decide or participate in a decision in which he has a financial interest, as owner, member, partner, officer, employee, stockholder, or other participant of or in any private business or professional enterprise that will be affected by such decision, nor shall a commissioner knowingly participate in a decision affecting a person related to him or his spouse, father, mother, brother, sister or child, jointly or severally. This subsection shall not be construed to prohibit a commissioner from having or holding private investment, business, or