CHAPTER 652

(House Bill 1235)

AN ACT concerning

Public Works - State Payment of Costs

FOR the purpose of defining the terms "annual operating costs" and "lateral system construction costs"; requiring the State to pay certain charges, fees, and assessments levied by the locality in which the State building or facility is located; providing that the State may connect to a public utility system under certain circumstances; and generally relating to water and sewer charges. and State use of public utilities.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 78A - Public Works Section 54 Annotated Code of Maryland (1980 Replacement Volume and 1982 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 78A - Public Works

54.

- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
 - (2) "ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS" INCLUDE THE COST OF:
- (I) PRODUCTION, TREATMENT, PUMPING, STORAGE, TRANSMISSION, AND DISTRIBUTION OF WATER, AND REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THESE FUNCTIONS;
- (II) COLLECTION, TRANSMISSION, PUMPING, AND TREATMENT OF WASTEWATER, AND REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT ASSOCIATED WITH THESE FUNCTIONS;
 - (III) ADMINISTRATIVE OVERHEAD;
 - (IV) DEBT SERVICE;
 - (V) DEPRECIATION; AND
 - (VI) SERVICING CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS.