

effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the Howard County Orphans' Court Judges shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

Approved April 8, 1986.

CHAPTER 40

(House Bill 166)

AN ACT concerning

St. Mary's County - Metropolitan Commission -
Meters and Valves

FOR the purpose of providing that the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission has jurisdiction over all meters and valves connected with any of its systems; prohibiting a person, firm, or corporation from tampering with, attempting to bypass, or modifying certain meters and valves without certain permission; prohibiting a person, firm, or corporation from defacing, damaging, or obstructing any sewer or water meter; and providing that a violation of this Act is a misdemeanor subject to certain penalties.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County
Section 113-11
Article 19 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
(1978 Edition and July, 1985 Supplement, as amended)

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

Article 19 - St. Mary's County

113-11.

A. Permits. Before any plumbing, waterworks or sewer construction is done upon any property within any area served by a public water or sewer system in any sanitary district, whether or not owned or operated by the Commission, the person, firm or corporation doing the construction shall first obtain a permit from the Commission and pay whatever reasonable sum the Commission prescribes. The work shall be done under and pursuant