

and may construct and lay any part of its line or lines underground or any route for which it is authorized to construct such lines in whole or in part, above ground, and the corporation may acquire by condemnation any property or right whatsoever necessary for its purposes in its discretion, either in fee simple or the use thereof in fee simple, or for a less estate, in the manner set forth in Title 12 of the Real Property Article of the Code; provided, however, that all corporations incorporated, or to be incorporated by virtue of said § 28, class thirteen, (Code of 1904) and all corporations heretofore or hereafter incorporated under the provisions of the Corporation Law of 1908 OR OTHER TELEPHONE COMPANIES THAT OWN LINES AND PROVIDE LOCAL EXCHANGE OR INTEREXCHANGE SERVICE IN THIS STATE WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, shall obtain the assent and approval of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City, before using the streets or highways of Baltimore City, either the surface or the ground beneath the same. The provisions of this proviso, however, do not apply to those corporations now in practical operation and which have laid or constructed their lines, pipes, mains or other structures, or any part thereof in the City of Baltimore; except as to the use and occupancy by them of new and additional streets and highways in the City of Baltimore by their lines, pipes, mains or other structures.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the power of eminent domain newly granted by this Act to certain telephone companies who have not previously been granted the power of eminent domain is limited to the acquisition of property to construct, lay, or maintain lines and does not include the acquisition of property for communications towers or buildings.

SECTION 2. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993.

Approved May 11, 1993.

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## CHAPTER 220

(Senate Bill 213)

AN ACT concerning

### Dorchester County – Advertising of County Expenditures

FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that the County Commissioners of Dorchester County publish certain information relating to County expenditures every 3 months; conforming the publication requirement and the requirement that certain information be available for public inspection in a certain manner to a provision generally applicable to Commissioner counties; and making stylistic changes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 The Public Local Laws of Dorchester County  
 Section 10-21  
 Article 10 – Public Local Laws of Maryland