

Approved May 5, 1992.

**CHAPTER 110**

**(House Bill 136)**

AN ACT concerning

**Washington County – Electric Lighting Districts**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Washington County to ~~impose the option of either imposing~~ a fixed fee per tax account ~~in any electric lighting district or an ad valorem tax to cover the cost of electric lighting provided in the electric lighting district;~~ requiring that ~~the~~ a fixed fee be uniform within a district; and providing that late payments of ~~the~~ a fixed fee are subject to interest at the same rate, and, subject to the same collection procedures, as overdue property taxes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article 25 – County Commissioners  
Section 2B(a)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1990 Replacement Volume and 1991 Supplement)

BY adding to  
Article 25 – County Commissioners  
Section 2B(e)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1990 Replacement Volume and 1991 Supplement)

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

**Article 25 – County Commissioners**

2B.

(a) (1) The county commissioners of every county in the State, in addition to, but not in substitution of, the powers which may have been or may hereafter be granted them, may provide for electric lighting along all or any part of the streets, lanes, alleys and public ways of the county, and enter into agreements with any person, partnership or corporation for the installation, maintenance and operation of electric lighting.

(2) Except as provided in [subsection (b)] SUBSECTIONS (B) AND (E) OF THIS SECTION, the costs of electric lighting provided under the authority of this section shall be paid by ad valorem taxes levied upon the property within the area to be served by the electric lighting.