HOUSE BILL 418

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By: Prince George's County Delegation and Montgomery County Delegation

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- 2 Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission Indirect Customer Assistance
- 3 Program
- 4 PG/MC 105–18
- FOR the purpose of authorizing the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to establish an Indirect Customer Assistance Program for certain purposes; requiring the Commission to establish certain eligibility standards and processes for receiving certain assistance if the program is established; requiring the program to be funded from Commission revenues; requiring income eligibility standards for the program to be uniformly applied throughout the sanitary district; defining certain terms; and generally relating to customer assistance and rates of the Washington Suburban
- 12 Sanitary Commission.
- 13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 14 Article Public Utilities
- 15 Section 25–501
- 16 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 17 (2010 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)
- 18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 Article – Public Utilities

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

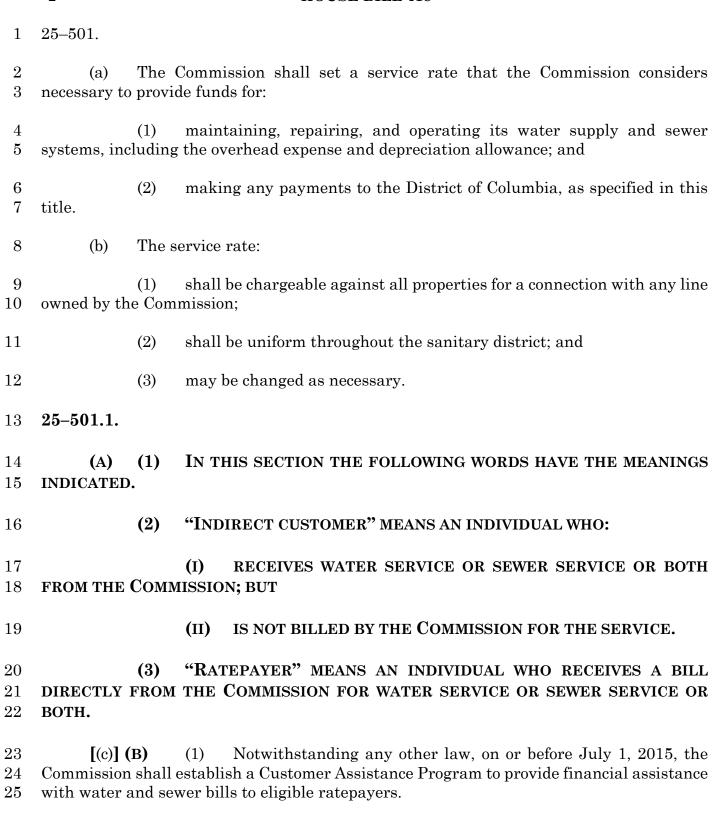
<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

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[(ii) The income eligibility standards established under this paragraph shall be applied uniformly throughout the sanitary district.

a ratepayer to receive financial assistance under this subsection.

The Commission shall establish income eligibility standards for

1	(3) The Customer Assistance Program shall be funded from Commission
2	revenues.]
3 4	(C) (1) THE COMMISSION MAY ESTABLISH AN INDIRECT CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.
5 6	(2) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ELIGIBLE INDIRECT CUSTOMERS FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE.
7 8 9 10	(3) IF THE COMMISSION ESTABLISHES A PROGRAM UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH INCOME ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS AND A PROCESS FOR AN INDIRECT CUSTOMER TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE PROGRAM.
11 12 13	(D) (1) THE CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND THE INDIRECT CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SHALL BE FUNDED FROM COMMISSION REVENUES.
14 15 16	(2) Income eligibility standards for the Customer Assistance Program and the Indirect Customer Assistance Program shall be applied uniformly throughout the sanitary district.
17 18	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2018.
	Approved:
	Governor.
	Speaker of the House of Delegates.
	President of the Senate.