
By: **Carroll County Delegation**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Carroll County - Water and Sewerage Systems - Connection to Public**
3 **Systems**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Carroll
5 County to establish a fund to assist certain property owners connecting to public
6 water and sewerage systems under certain circumstances; requiring that
7 disbursements from the fund be used to pay certain costs; requiring property
8 owners who have received disbursements from the fund to repay the fund;
9 requiring the Board to impose liens on certain benefitted properties; requiring
10 the Board to establish certain repayment provisions; and generally relating to
11 the connection to public water and sewerage systems in Carroll County.

12 BY adding to
13 The Public Local Laws of Carroll County
14 Section 14-705(3)
15 Article 7 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
16 (1976 Edition and 1999 Supplement, as amended)
17 (As enacted by Chapter 601 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2000)

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

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Article 7 - Carroll County

2 14-705.

3 For the purpose of providing funds for maintaining, repairing and operating its
4 water and sewerage systems, and for its operation and other expenses, including
5 proper depreciation allowances, and for interest on and the retirements of bonds as
6 specified in this title, the Board may make the following charges:

7 (3) (I) THE BOARD MAY ESTABLISH A CONTINUING REVOLVING FUND
8 THAT SHALL BE USED TO ASSIST PROPERTY OWNERS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR
9 STATE OR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE, BUT MEET FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA SET
10 BY THE BOARD TO FACILITATE CONNECTION TO PUBLIC WATER AND SEWERAGE
11 SYSTEMS.

12 (II) DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE FUND SHALL BE USED TO PAY THE
13 COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH WATER AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM CONNECTIONS
14 INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE MUNICIPAL CONNECTION FEES, WELL
15 CLOSURES, ELECTRICAL UPGRADES, AND SIMILAR CHARGES.

16 (III) PROPERTY OWNERS WHO HAVE RECEIVED DISBURSEMENTS
17 FROM THE FUND SHALL REPAY THE FUND.

18 (IV) THE BOARD SHALL:

19 1. IMPOSE A LIEN ON THE PROPERTY BENEFITTED FROM
20 THE CONNECTION TO PUBLIC WATER AND SEWERAGE SYSTEMS FOR THE AMOUNT
21 PAID BY THE BOARD ON THE PROPERTY OWNER'S BEHALF; AND

22 2. ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR REPAYMENT TO THE FUND
23 BY PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL PAYMENTS TO BE ADDED TO THE PROPERTY OWNER'S
24 PROPERTY TAX BILLS.

25 (V) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION MAY BE ENFORCED UNDER
26 § 14-706 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
28 October 1, 2001.