

chase or redemption of any bonds or debt which may be outstanding against the same or the Commission may as a part of the purchase price of said system, assume the payment of any such outstanding bond. The Commission shall not purchase any existing water mains, sewer or systems, in whole or in part, which are improperly constructed or are not of sufficient capacity or were constructed without proper authority from the State Department of Health since the passage of the Act requiring the same.

SEC. 17. *And be it further enacted*, That after the passage of this Act, whenever a municipality or the property owners or residents of any locality in the Metropolitan District shall desire a water supply, sewerage or drainage system, or part thereof, to be constructed in that municipality or locality, and the Commission shall decide that it is inexpedient or impracticable at that time, owing to the remoteness from its general system or other causes, to build such system, such municipality or persons may build and operate said system at its own expense, but it shall be constructed under plans and specifications prepared by the Commission and under its supervision, and its maintenance and operation shall be under the general control of the Commission; and no such system or part thereof, and no water main, sewer, storm drain, water, or sewerage treatment plant, not connected with any of them, shall be constructed or installed except as in this section provided, and any violation of this provision shall be a misdemeanor punishable under Section 21 of this sub-title. All construction and operating records, including cost records, shall be filed with the Commission, which shall be empowered at any time to take over said system or part thereof, or said water main, sewer, storm drain, water or sewerage treatment plant, or connection with any of them, in the same manner as provided under Section 16 for systems existing at the time of the passage of this Act. The Commission shall be empowered to extend its water supply, sewerage or drainage systems into any area outside of any sanitary district contiguous thereto or in the vicinity thereof, when the property owners of said area shall agree to the charges, assessments and conditions that may be imposed by the Commission as hereinbefore outlined.

SEC. 18. *And be it further enacted*, That the Commission may enter upon and excavate any State, County or municipal street, road or alley, or any other public highway, for the purpose of installing, maintaining and operating the water supply, sewerage or drainage systems provided for under this Act, and it may construct in any such street, road, alley, or public highway, a water main, sewer or drain or any appurtenance thereof, without the receipt of a permit or the payment