

(A) [Whenever the water systems of] IF Howard County [are] IS supplied with water from systems [owned and operated by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission] OF THE WSSC, [then] the [Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission] WSSC may [formulate] ADOPT rules and regulations [requiring] TO REQUIRE:

- (1) [water use] WATER saving devices[,];
- (2) [curtailing] CURTAILING of water use during water restriction periods[,]; and
- (3) [conformance] COMPLIANCE with health requirements of the [Washington Suburban Sanitary District] WSSC'S plumbing regulations.

(B) Howard County shall comply with these regulations [as to] FOR those parts of Howard County's water system supplied with water by the [Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission] WSSC.

[15-5] 15-105. Tampering with system.

[It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THE WSSC'S RULES AND REGULATIONS, A PERSON MAY NOT use, handle, tamper with, obstruct, or interfere with any portion of the water [systems] SYSTEM of the Howard County [Metropolitan Commission] DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS [which are] THAT IS supplied with water from the [systems owned and operated by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission] WATER SYSTEM OF THE WSSC, including pipes, fittings, fireplugs, pumps, engines, appliances, wires, or other fixtures or equipment [except under such rules and regulations as the commission may adopt].

[15-6. Same -- Violations and penalties.

Any violation of the provisions of section 15-5 is hereby declared to be a misdemeanor and shall be punishable before any justice of the peace or the circuit court of the county in which such offense is committed, and any person adjudged guilty thereof shall be subject to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars or thirty days in the county jail or both in the discretion of the court.]

COMMITTEE NOTE: Former Article 67, § 15-6 is combined with all of the other penalty provisions that are included in Title 18 of this article.

[15-7] 15-106. Disposition of sewage in Patuxent River area.

[The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission is hereby authorized and empowered to provide for disposition of