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HOUSE BILL NO. 286

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 9 OF THE DELAWARE CODE TO EXTEND THE PERMITTED MATURITIES OF BONDS FOR SEWER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT IN NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

Section 1. Amend Section 1163 of Title 9 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strikethrough and additions as shown by underline as follows:

- (a)(4) The bonds authorized by each ordinance shall mature as may be determined by the County Council but in any event not later than 30 years after the date of the bonds; provided, however, that the last maturity of bonds issued to finance any single water, sewer or wastewater improvement costing over \$5,000,000 may mature not later than 40 years after the date of such bonds.
 - (5) Bonds issued pursuant to this chapter shall be sold by the County Executive at public sale upon sealed proposals after at least 10 days' notice published at least once in 1 newspaper of general circulation published in New Castle County and in a financial journal published in the City of New York on the website of New Castle County, at such price and upon such terms, conditions and regulations as the County Council may prescribe; provided, that the County Council may authorize the County Executive to sell such bonds at public or private sale upon such terms, conditions and regulations as it may prescribe.
- Section 2. Amend Chapter 23 of Title 9 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strikethrough and additions as shown by underline as follows:
 - § 2311. Bonds; power to issue; terms; authority of County Executive.
- (a) The County Council may issue bonds of New Castle County to finance the cost of constructing sewage disposal facilities in any sanitary sewer district. The moneys raised by the issuance of such bonds shall be held in a separate account and shall be expended only for the construction of sewage disposal facilities in the sanitary sewer district for which the bonds are issued.
- (b) The bonds shall bear interest at the most advantageous rate attainable by the County Council and the income therefrom shall not be subject to state taxation. Each issue of such bonds shall be payable within 30 40 years after the date of the bonds of such issue. The interest coupons and face amount of the bonds shall be payable at such place or places as the County Council may prescribe. The reasonable expenses of issuing such bonds shall be deemed a part of the cost of constructing the sewer facilities. The full faith and credit of New Castle County shall be pledged to the payment of such bonds and the interest thereon. Debt incurred by the County Council pursuant to this chapter may be represented by uncertificated obligations of the County Council which may be authorized in accordance with the same procedures applicable to bonds which are permitted to be issued under this chapter, and the County Council by resolution may determine, or it may delegate authority to the County Executive to determine, all procedures appropriate to the establishment of a system of issuing uncertificated debt.
- (c) The County Council may authorize the County Executive to sell such bonds at public or private sale upon such terms, conditions and regulations as it may prescribe.
 - § 2312. Notice of Advertising sale of bonds; bonds. authority of County Executive.

The County Council shall advertise provide notice of its intent to sell the bonds for sale in at least 2 issues in each of 2 1 newspaper newspapers, 1 of which shall be a newspaper of general circulation published in New Castle County the City of Wilmington, and the other a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of New York, inviting bids for the bonds at least ten days prior to the sale of the bonds. The advertisements notice shall state the total amount of the proposed issue, the interest rate, the purpose of the bonds and provide a County website where more information can be found. the denominations of the bonds, the place of payment of the bonds and interest, the place and date of opening bids, and the conditions under which the bonds are to be sold The County Council may give notice of the sale of the bonds in such other manner as it may decide. In addition, the County Council may authorize the County Executive to sell such bonds at public or private sale upon such terms, conditions and regulations as it may prescribe.

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