**12-3713. Bonds may be secured by trust agreement; protection of rights and remedies of bondholders.** In the discretion of the secretary of health and environment any bonds issued under the provisions of this act may be secured by a trust agreement by and between the secretary and a corporate trustee, which may be any trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company within or without the state. Such trust agreement or the resolution providing for the issuance of such bonds may pledge or assign the sewer service charge payments from cities, counties, townships, or other political subdivisions of the state, and other revenues to be received. Such trust agreement or resolution providing for the issuance of such bonds may contain such provisions for protecting and enforcing the rights and remedies of the bondholders as may be reasonable and proper and not in violation of law, including covenants setting forth the duties of the secretary in relation to grants under this act in connection with which such bonds shall have been authorized, and the custody, safeguarding and application of all moneys.

It shall be lawful for any bank or trust company incorporated under the laws of the state which may act as depository of the proceeds of bonds or of revenues to furnish such indemnifying bonds or to pledge such securities as may be required by the secretary of health and environment. Any such trust agreement may set forth the rights and remedies of the bondholders and of the trustee, and may restrict the individual right of action by bondholders. In addition to the foregoing, any such trust agreement or resolution may contain such other provisions as the secretary may deem reasonable and proper for the security of the bondholders.

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