

HB0656/935261/1

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 656
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “**Accessibility by Public Transportation**” and substitute “**Bus Stops**”; and strike beginning with “in” in line 3 down through “stop;” in line 5 and substitute “if an early voting center is located within a certain distance of a fixed local bus route and to the maximum extent practicable, buses operating on that route allow passengers to embark and disembark at the entrance of the early voting center during certain times; providing for the application of this Act;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike beginning with the colon in line 25 down through “(2)” in line 29; after line 29, insert:

“(F) (1) (I) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES ONLY TO A FIXED LOCAL BUS ROUTE:

1. FUNDED BY A COUNTY OR A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AND OPERATED BY THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OR A CONTRACTOR FOR THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION; OR

2. IN BALTIMORE CITY AND BALTIMORE COUNTY ONLY, FUNDED AND OPERATED BY THE MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION.

(II) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A LONG-DISTANCE COMMUTER BUS ROUTE THAT:

(Over)

1. IS FUNDED BY THE MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION; AND

2. HAS LIMITED STOPS BETWEEN AN URBAN CENTER AND OUTLYING AREAS.

(2) IF AN EARLY VOTING CENTER IS LOCATED WITHIN ONE-HALF MILE OF A FIXED LOCAL BUS ROUTE, BUSES OPERATING ON THAT ROUTE SHALL, TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PRACTICABLE, ALLOW PASSENGERS TO EMBARK AND DISEMBARK AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE EARLY VOTING CENTER DURING THE TIMES THE CENTER IS OPEN FOR VOTING UNDER SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION.”;

and in line 30, strike “(f)” and substitute “(G)”.

On page 3, in lines 5 and 7, strike “(g)” and “(h)”, respectively, and substitute “(H)” and “(I)”, respectively.