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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Mass Transit Administration - Light Rail Transit - Purchase of Interconnecting Cars**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that each light rail transit vehicle ordered by the Mass  
4 Transit Administration after a certain date be of the type that connects with other  
5 light rail vehicles in a manner that allows security to move freely and safely between  
6 the vehicles while the light rail train is in motion; providing for the effective date of  
7 this Act; and generally relating to the purchase of light rail transit vehicles.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article - Transportation  
10 Section 7-403  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article - Transportation**

16 7-403.

17 (a) Purchases on behalf of the Administration of rolling stock and other property  
18 peculiar to the operation of transit facilities or railroad facilities are not subject to law  
19 governing procurement by the Department of General Services.

20 (b) The selection of long-lead equipment items for purposes of a light rail transit  
21 system shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the State procurement laws and  
22 regulations and shall use either a competitive sealed bid or competitive sealed proposal  
23 method of procurement.

24 (C) EACH LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT VEHICLE ORDERED BY THE ADMINISTRATION  
25 AFTER JANUARY 1, 1997 THAT IS INTENDED TO CARRY PASSENGERS SHALL BE OF  
26 THE TYPE THAT CONNECTS WITH OTHER LIGHT RAIL VEHICLES IN A MANNER THAT  
27 ALLOWS SECURITY TO MOVE FREELY AND SAFELY BETWEEN VEHICLES WHILE THE  
28 LIGHT RAIL TRAIN IS IN MOTION.

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
30 July 1, 1996.

