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CHAPTER\_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Transportation - Priority Funding Areas**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Transportation ~~jointly with the~~  
4 ~~Office of Planning to provide counties with maps establishing performance goals~~  
5 ~~to reduce traffic congestion and increase the use of nonautomobile traffic to~~  
6 report annually to the General Assembly on the attainment of certain  
7 transportation goals and benchmarks for the Maryland Transportation Plan and  
8 the Maryland Transportation Program; altering the time period for revising the  
9 Maryland Transportation Plan; altering provisions of law concerning the format  
10 of the Maryland Transportation Plan; requiring the Department to report  
11 annually to the General Assembly concerning the establishment of certain  
12 transportation performance goals, indicators, and benchmarks relating to  
13 priority funding areas; establishing a subcommittee of the Transportation  
14 Commission on Transportation in Priority Funding Areas; providing that the  
15 members of the Task Force are entitled to reimbursement for certain expenses  
16 an advisory committee to advise the Department on the establishment of certain  
17 goals, indicators, and benchmarks relating to transportation; specifying the  
18 membership and duties of the Task Force advisory committee; requiring certain  
19 information about priority funding areas to be included in certain  
20 transportation plans and reports; and generally relating to transportation in  
21 priority funding areas.

22 BY repealing and reenacting, ~~with~~ without amendments,

23 Article - State Finance and Procurement

24 Section 5-7B-09

25 Annotated Code of Maryland

1 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

2 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

3 Article - Transportation

4 Section 2-103.1

5 Annotated Code of Maryland

6 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

7 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

8 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

9 **Article - State Finance and Procurement**

10 5-7B-09.

11 (a) The Office of Planning shall:

12 (1) establish a process for the review of projects by the appropriate State  
13 agencies and the Office of Planning for compliance with this subtitle;

14 (2) provide to each State agency and unit of State government the  
15 location of priority funding areas; and

16 (3) make available to each county, and to the public for review, copies of  
17 maps illustrating:

18 (i) priority funding areas certified by the local governments; and

19 (ii) any comments by the Office of Planning on the areas certified.

20 (b) By October 1, 1998, the Office of Planning shall complete surveys of  
21 municipal, county, and State governments for infrastructure needs and shall  
22 maintain a list of needed projects that includes information relating to the financial  
23 capacity of the affected unit of government to undertake such projects.

24 (c) A copy of this list of projects shall be made available upon request to  
25 members of the General Assembly, local government officials, and the general public.

26 (d) Each State agency subject to this subtitle shall report annually to the  
27 Office of Planning on the implementation of this subtitle in a form approved by the  
28 Office of Planning.

29 ~~(E) (1) BEGINNING WITH THE YEAR 2000 ANNUAL REPORT AND~~  
30 ~~CONTINUING THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL REPORT~~  
31 ~~TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGARDING:~~

32 ~~(1) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTAIN MEASURABLE~~  
33 ~~PERFORMANCE GOALS AND BENCHMARKS FOR REDUCING AUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC IN~~

1 ~~PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS AND FOR INCREASING THE USE OF NONAUTOMOBILE~~  
2 ~~TRANSPORTATION IN PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS; AND~~

3 ~~(II) THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS~~  
4 ~~CONTAINED IN THE PROPOSED AND APPROVED MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION PLAN~~  
5 ~~AND CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM ATTAIN THOSE GOALS AND~~  
6 ~~BENCHMARKS.~~

7 ~~(2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PREPARE THIS ELEMENT OF ITS ANNUAL~~  
8 ~~REPORT JOINTLY WITH THE OFFICE OF PLANNING.~~

9 ~~(3) THE DEPARTMENT AND THE OFFICE OF PLANNING SHALL JOINTLY~~  
10 ~~ESTABLISH MEASURABLE LONG TERM GOALS, AND INTERMEDIATE BENCHMARKS~~  
11 ~~OF PROGRESS TOWARD THE ATTAINMENT OF THE LONG TERM GOALS, FOR EACH OF~~  
12 ~~THE FOLLOWING TRANSPORTATION INDICATORS FOR ITS ANNUAL REPORT:~~

13 ~~(I) AN INCREASE IN THE SHARE OF TOTAL PERSON TRIPS FOR~~  
14 ~~EACH OF TRANSIT, HIGH OCCUPANCY AUTO, PEDESTRIAN, AND BICYCLE MODES OF~~  
15 ~~TRAVEL;~~

16 ~~(II) A DECREASE IN INDICATORS OF TRAFFIC CONGESTION AS~~  
17 ~~DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND THE OFFICE OF PLANNING; AND~~

18 ~~(III) ANY OTHER PERFORMANCE GOALS ESTABLISHED BY THE~~  
19 ~~DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE OFFICE OF PLANNING FOR REDUCING~~  
20 ~~AUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC AND INCREASING THE USE OF NONAUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC.~~

21 ~~(F) (1) A SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION~~  
22 ~~COMMISSION SHALL BE ASSEMBLED TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE~~  
23 ~~ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TRANSPORTATION GOALS, BENCHMARKS, AND INDICATORS~~  
24 ~~UNDER SUBSECTION (E)(3) OF THIS SECTION.~~

25 ~~(2) MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE SHALL INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT~~  
26 ~~LIMITED TO, THE FOLLOWING:~~

27 ~~(I) MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES APPOINTED BY THE~~  
28 ~~SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE;~~

29 ~~(II) MEMBERS OF THE SENATE OF MARYLAND APPOINTED BY THE~~  
30 ~~PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE; AND~~

31 ~~(III) THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR:~~

32 ~~1. A TECHNICAL EXPERT ON MASS TRANSIT;~~

33 ~~2. A TECHNICAL EXPERT ON PEDESTRIAN~~  
34 ~~TRANSPORTATION;~~

35 ~~3. A TECHNICAL EXPERT ON BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION;~~

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2 MANAGEMENT;

3 5. A REPRESENTATIVE OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY  
4 ORGANIZATION;

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6 ORGANIZATION; AND 6: A REPRESENTATIVE OF A SMART GROWTH ADVOCACY

7. ~~A REPRESENTATIVE OF A SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY~~  
8 ~~ORGANIZATION.~~

9                   (3)    ~~THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE~~  
10 ~~SUBCOMMITTEE.~~

11                   (4)       STAFF FOR THE SUBCOMMITTEE SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE  
12 ~~DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE OFFICE OF PLANNING.~~

13 (5) MEMBERS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE SHALL SERVE WITHOUT  
14 COMPENSATION EXCEPT THAT THE MEMBERS MAY BE REIMBURSED FOR EXPENSES  
15 UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE  
16 BUDGET.

~~(6) THE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE ASSEMBLED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL PROVIDE ITS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION BENCHMARKS AND INDICATORS IN AN INTERIM REPORT TO BE COMPLETED BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2000. FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS ON LONG-TERM TRANSPORTATION GOALS, INTERMEDIATE BENCHMARKS, AND INDICATORS SHALL BE DEVELOPED WITH PARTICIPATION FROM THE PUBLIC AND SHALL BE PROVIDED BY DECEMBER 31, 2000.~~

24 (7) ~~WHEN PREPARING ITS RECOMMENDATIONS, THE SUBCOMMITTEE~~  
25 ~~SHALL CONSIDER:~~

~~(H) TRANSPORTATION AND POPULATION TRENDS AND THEIR  
IMPACT ON THE STATE'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS;~~

28 (H) PAST AND PRESENT STATE FUNDING DEVOTED TO THE  
29 ~~VARIOUS TRANSPORTATION MODES AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT:~~

30 (III) THE FULL RANGE OF UNMET TRANSPORTATION NEEDS IN  
31 PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS;

~~(IV) THE FULL RANGE OF TRANSPORTATION MEASURES AND FACILITIES AVAILABLE, AND THEIR ROLE, EFFECTIVENESS, AND COST EFFECTIVENESS IN PROVIDING TRAVEL CHOICES AND REDUCING CONGESTION;~~

35 (V) A REVIEW OF TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE INDICATORS  
36 AND THEIR USE IN OTHER STATES:

1                   (VI)     ~~HOW TO COORDINATE STATE TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS~~  
2 ~~WITH LOCAL GROWTH PLANS FOR PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS; AND~~

3                   (VII)   ~~THE TYPES OF INVESTMENTS NEEDED AND THEIR LEVELS OF~~  
4 ~~FUNDING FOR SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND BENCHMARKS RECOMMENDED BY THE~~  
5 ~~SUBCOMMITTEE.~~

6       (G)     ~~THE DEPARTMENT MAY CONDUCT ITS ANALYSIS OF PLANNED~~  
7 ~~TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS IN PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS ON A STATEWIDE~~  
8 ~~BASIS OR IN GROUPINGS OF PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS CENTERED ON REGIONS,~~  
9 ~~METROPOLITAN AREAS, CITIES, OR OTHER GROUPINGS SUITABLE FOR~~  
10 ~~TRANSPORTATION MODELING, AND THE DEPARTMENT MAY CHOOSE TO EXCLUDE~~  
11 ~~FROM ANALYSIS PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS WHICH HAVE AN INSIGNIFICANT ROLE~~  
12 ~~IN TRANSPORTATION TRENDS BECAUSE OF SMALL SIZE, POPULATION, OR PHYSICAL~~  
13 ~~ISOLATION.~~

14       (H)     ~~IN REPORTING ON THE ATTAINMENT OF TRANSPORTATION~~  
15 ~~PERFORMANCE GOALS AND BENCHMARKS, THE DEPARTMENT AND OFFICE OF~~  
16 ~~PLANNING SHALL:~~

17               (1)     ~~USE NARRATIVE, GRAPHS, CHARTS, TABLES, AND MAPS AS~~  
18 ~~APPROPRIATE TO MAKE THE RESULTS EASILY UNDERSTOOD BY THE PUBLIC;~~

19               (2)     ~~INCLUDE PROJECTED LONG TERM TRENDS FOR EACH OF THE~~  
20 ~~INDICATORS AND THE EFFECT OF PLANNED TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS ON~~  
21 ~~THE TRENDS;~~

22               (3)     ~~TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, ACCOUNT FOR THE EFFECT OF~~  
23 ~~PLANNED TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS ON INDUCING AUTOMOBILE TRAVEL;~~

24               (4)     ~~TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, ACCOUNT FOR AUTOMOBILE TRIPS~~  
25 ~~NOT TAKEN DUE TO DEMAND MANAGEMENT MEASURES, INCLUDING TELEWORK,~~  
26 ~~TELESHOPPING, AND LAND USE PATTERNS SUPPORTING ALTERNATIVES TO~~  
27 ~~DRIVING; AND~~

28               (5)     ~~INDICATE THE COST EFFECTIVENESS OF INVESTMENTS FOR~~  
29 ~~ACHIEVING RELEVANT PERFORMANCE GOALS AND BENCHMARKS.~~

30                                   **Article - Transportation**

31 2-103.1.

32       (a)     (1)     In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

33               (2)     "Capital project" means:

34                   (i)     Any project for which funds are expended for construction,  
35 reconstruction, or rehabilitation of a transportation facility by the Department or of a  
36 transportation facilities project by the Maryland Transportation Authority; or

(ii) Capital equipment, as defined by the Secretary.

(3) "Construction phase" means the phase of a capital project in which the project is committed and advanced from the project development phase to completion.

(4) "Major capital project" means any new, expanded, or significantly improved facility or service that involves planning, environmental studies, design, right-of-way, construction, or purchase of essential equipment related to the facility or service.

(5) "Minor capital project" means any project for the preservation or rehabilitation of an existing facility or service, including the planning, design, right-of-way, construction, or purchase of equipment essential to the facility or service, and generally not requiring the preparation of an environmental impact assessment.

(6) "Project development phase" means the phase of a capital project in which planning, engineering, and environmental studies and analyses are conducted with full participation by the public, prior to commitment to construction.

(7) "Significant change" means any change that affects the size or character of a project to the extent that the change:

(i) Substantially modifies the capacity, level of service, or cost of the project;

(ii) Alters the function or purpose of the project; or

(iii) Impacts the ability of a modal administration to accomplish the program priorities established by the Secretary in the State Report on Transportation.

(8) "Transportation facility" has the meaning stated in § 3-101(l) of this article.

(9) "Transportation facilities project" has the meaning stated in § 4-101(i) of this article.

(b) The State Report on Transportation consists of the Consolidated Transportation Program and the Maryland Transportation Plan.

(c) (1) The Consolidated Transportation Program shall:

(i) Be revised annually; and

(ii) Include:

1. A list of Program priorities;

1                                 2.                 A statement of the Department's projected annual  
2 operating costs, set forth separately for the Office of the Secretary and for each modal  
3 administration;

4 3. Expanded descriptions of major capital projects;

4. A list of major capital projects for the current year, the budget request year, and the 4 successive planning years;

7 5. A list of anticipated minor capital projects, including a  
8 specific list of anticipated special projects for the current year and the budget request  
9 year and an estimate of the Program level for each of the 4 successive planning years;

10 6. A list of major bridge work projects;

11 7. A summary of the capital and operating programs, as  
12 defined by the Secretary, for the Maryland Transportation Authority;

13 8. For each listed major capital project, an indication  
14 whether the revenue source anticipated to support that project consists of federal,  
15 special, general, or other funds;

16 9. A glossary of terms; and

17 10. A cross-reference table for the information contained in  
18 the various parts of the State Report on Transportation.

19                   (2)       In addition to the items listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the  
20 Consolidated Transportation Program shall include:

21 (i) A summary of current efforts and future plans, prepared after  
22 consultation with the Bicycle Advisory Board established under § 21-1213 of this  
23 article:

24                    1.            To develop and promote bicycle transportation; and

25                                   2.           Working together with local jurisdictions, to accommodate  
26 in a safe and effective manner pedestrians and bicycles within a reasonable distance  
27 for walking and bicycling to rail stops, light rail stops, and subway stations;

28 (ii) A listing of all bicycle and pedestrian transportation projects  
29 expected to use State or federal highway funds; and

30 (iii) Reflected under the Office of the Secretary, any  
31 technology-related project to be funded from the account established under § 2-111 of  
32 this article, along with a description and projected cost of each.

33 (3) Annually, the Consolidated Transportation Program shall include a  
34 report that:

1 (i) Identifies each major capital project for which the budget bill or  
2 a supplemental budget amendment first requests funds for the project development  
3 phase or for the construction phase;

4 (ii) With respect to each major capital project for which funds are  
5 requested in the budget request year, states:

6 1. The amount of the funds requested; and

7 2. The total estimated cost of the project;

8 (iii) Identifies significant changes in the cost, scope, design, or  
9 scheduling of major capital projects for each completed fiscal year;

10 (iv) When there is a significant change in cost, states the amount by  
11 which the expenditures that have been authorized exceed the original project  
12 estimate;

13 (v) When there is a significant change, states:

14 1. The amount by which costs exceed projected costs during  
15 each completed fiscal year; and

16 2. The total amount that has been expended for a major  
17 capital project; and

18 (vi) Includes any other information that the Secretary believes  
19 would be useful to the members of the General Assembly or other recipients of the  
20 Consolidated Transportation Program.

21 (4) The total operating and capital expenditures for the Department or  
22 for the Office of the Secretary or any modal administration projected in the  
23 Consolidated Transportation Program for the budget request year may not exceed the  
24 budget request for the Department, Office, or modal administration for that year.

25 (d) The Maryland Transportation Plan shall:

26 (1) Be revised every ~~2-years~~ 3 YEARS THROUGH AN INCLUSIVE PUBLIC  
27 PARTICIPATION PROCESS;

28 (2) Include a 20-year forecast of State transportation needs, based on  
29 the financial resources anticipated to be available to the Department during that  
30 20-year period;

31 (3) Be expressed in terms of ~~Program~~ GOALS AND objectives; and

32 (4) Include a summary of the types of projects AND PROGRAMS that are  
33 proposed to accomplish the ~~Program~~ GOALS AND objectives, using ~~an inter-modal~~  
34 ~~administration~~ A MULTI-MODAL approach when feasible.



(e) On or before November 15 of each year, the Department shall visit each county to give local governments and local legislative delegations information about and an opportunity to comment on the proposed Consolidated Transportation Program and the proposed Maryland Transportation Plan.

(f) At the earliest practical date but no later than November 1 of each year, the Department shall provide the proposed Consolidated Transportation Program and the proposed Maryland Transportation Plan to the Office of Planning for review and comment on planning issues including consistency between transportation investments and the State Economic Growth, Resource Protection, and Planning Policy AND STATE PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE 5, SUBTITLE 7B, OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE.

(G) THE DEPARTMENT:

(1) SHALL SUBMIT ~~ITS AN~~ ANNUAL REPORT ON THE ATTAINMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GOALS AND BENCHMARKS FOR THE APPROVED AND PROPOSED MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND APPROVED AND PROPOSED CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM, ~~AS REQUIRED UNDER § 5-7B-09 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE,~~ TO THE LEGISLATURE PRIOR TO THE LEGISLATURE'S CONSIDERATION OF THE PROPOSED MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM; AND

(2) SHALL PRESENT ITS REPORT IN HEARINGS BEFORE COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR TRANSPORTATION OVERSIGHT.

(H) (1) BEGINNING WITH THE YEAR 2002 STATE REPORT ON TRANSPORTATION AND CONTINUING THEREAFTER, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGARDING:

(I) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTAIN MEASURABLE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS OR BENCHMARKS, IN PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS AT A MINIMUM, DESIGNED TO QUANTIFY THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES SPECIFIED IN THE MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION PLAN; AND

(II) THE DEGREE TO WHICH THE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS CONTAINED IN THE APPROVED MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION PLAN AND CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM ATTAIN THOSE GOALS AND BENCHMARKS AS MEASURED BY THE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS OR BENCHMARKS.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH MEASURABLE LONG-TERM GOALS, AND INTERMEDIATE BENCHMARKS OF PROGRESS TOWARD THE ATTAINMENT OF THE LONG-TERM GOALS, FOR THE FOLLOWING MEASURABLE TRANSPORTATION INDICATORS FOR THE DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL REPORT:

(I) AN INCREASE IN THE SHARE OF TOTAL PERSON TRIPS FOR EACH OF TRANSIT, HIGH OCCUPANCY AUTO, PEDESTRIAN, AND BICYCLE MODES OF TRAVEL;

1                   (II)     A DECREASE IN INDICATORS OF TRAFFIC CONGESTION AS  
2 DETERMINED BY THE DEPARTMENT; AND

3                   (III)    ANY OTHER PERFORMANCE GOALS ESTABLISHED BY THE  
4 DEPARTMENT FOR REDUCING AUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC AND INCREASING THE USE OF  
5 NONAUTOMOBILE TRAFFIC.

6       (I)     (1)     AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL BE ASSEMBLED TO ADVISE THE  
7 DEPARTMENT ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TRANSPORTATION GOALS,  
8 BENCHMARKS, AND INDICATORS UNDER SUBSECTION (H)(2) OF THIS SECTION.

9                   (2)     MEMBERSHIP OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL INCLUDE THE  
10 FOLLOWING MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR:

11                   (I)     A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND BUSINESS  
12 COMMUNITY;

13                   (II)    A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DISABLED CITIZENS COMMUNITY;

14                   (III)   A REPRESENTATIVE OF RURAL INTERESTS;

15                   (IV)   A REPRESENTATIVE OF AN AUTO USERS GROUP;

16                   (V)     A REPRESENTATIVE OF A TRANSIT USERS GROUP;

17                   (VI)    A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GOODS MOVEMENT INDUSTRY;

18                   (VII)   A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED EXPERT ON TRANSPORTATION  
19 DEMAND MANAGEMENT;

20                   (VIII)   A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED EXPERT ON PEDESTRIAN AND  
21 BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION;

22                   (IX)    A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED EXPERT ON TRANSPORTATION  
23 PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT;

24                   (X)     A REPRESENTATIVE OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCACY  
25 ORGANIZATION;

26                   (XI)    A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF  
27 PLANNING;

28                   (XII)   A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF  
29 COUNTIES; AND

30                   (XIII)   A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MARYLAND MUNICIPAL LEAGUE.

31                   (3)     THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ADVISORY  
32 COMMITTEE.

1           (4)     THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL MEET AT LEAST FOUR TIMES  
2 DURING THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING THE MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION PLAN TO  
3 PROVIDE ADVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT ON MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS  
4 SUBSECTION.

5           (5)     THE DEPARTMENT AND THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SHALL  
6 CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

7                   (I)     TRANSPORTATION AND POPULATION TRENDS AND THEIR  
8 IMPACT ON THE STATE'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS;

9                   (II)    PAST AND PRESENT STATE FUNDING DEVOTED TO THE  
10 VARIOUS TRANSPORTATION MODES AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT;

11                  (III)   THE FULL RANGE OF UNMET TRANSPORTATION NEEDS IN  
12 PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS;

13                  (IV)    THE FULL RANGE OF TRANSPORTATION MEASURES AND  
14 FACILITIES AVAILABLE, AND THEIR ROLE, EFFECTIVENESS, AND COST  
15 EFFECTIVENESS IN PROVIDING TRAVEL CHOICES AND REDUCING CONGESTION;

16                  (V)     A REVIEW OF TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE INDICATORS  
17 AND THEIR USE IN OTHER STATES;

18                  (VI)    A REVIEW OF THE COORDINATION OF STATE TRANSPORTATION  
19 INVESTMENTS WITH LOCAL GROWTH PLANS FOR PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS; AND

20                  (VII)   THE TYPES OF INVESTMENTS NEEDED AND THEIR LEVELS OF  
21 FUNDING FOR SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE MARYLAND  
22 TRANSPORTATION PLAN.

23       (J)     THE DEPARTMENT MAY CONDUCT ITS ANALYSIS OF PLANNED  
24 TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS IN PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS ON A STATEWIDE  
25 BASIS OR IN GROUPINGS OF PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS CENTERED ON REGIONS,  
26 METROPOLITAN AREAS, CITIES, OR OTHER GROUPINGS SUITABLE FOR  
27 TRANSPORTATION MODELING, AND THE DEPARTMENT MAY CHOOSE TO EXCLUDE  
28 FROM ANALYSIS PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS WHICH HAVE AN INSIGNIFICANT ROLE  
29 IN TRANSPORTATION TRENDS BECAUSE OF SMALL SIZE, POPULATION, OR PHYSICAL  
30 ISOLATION.

31       (K)     IN REPORTING ON THE ATTAINMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
32 PERFORMANCE GOALS AND BENCHMARKS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

33                   (1)     USE NARRATIVE, GRAPHS, CHARTS, TABLES, AND MAPS AS  
34 APPROPRIATE TO MAKE THE RESULTS EASILY UNDERSTOOD BY THE PUBLIC;

35                   (2)     INCLUDE PROJECTED LONG-TERM TRENDS FOR EACH OF THE  
36 INDICATORS AND THE EFFECT OF PLANNED TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS ON  
37 THE TRENDS;

1           (3)       TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, ACCOUNT FOR THE EFFECT OF  
2 PLANNED TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS ON INDUCING AUTOMOBILE TRAVEL;

3           (4)       TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, ACCOUNT FOR AUTOMOBILE TRIPS  
4 NOT TAKEN DUE TO DEMAND MANAGEMENT MEASURES, INCLUDING TELEWORKING,  
5 TELESHOPPING, AND LAND USE PATTERNS SUPPORTING ALTERNATIVES TO  
6 DRIVING; AND

7           (5)       INDICATE THE COST EFFECTIVENESS OF INVESTMENTS FOR  
8 ACHIEVING RELEVANT PERFORMANCE GOALS AND BENCHMARKS, INCLUDING A  
9 SPECIFIC ANALYSIS OF PLANNED TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS DETAILING:

10                   (I)       ANY PROJECTED DECREASES OR INCREASES IN INDICATORS OF  
11 TRAFFIC CONGESTION AS DEFINED BY THE DEPARTMENT; AND

12                   (II)       THE COST PER PASSENGER MILE AND OTHER INDICATORS OF  
13 COST EFFECTIVENESS AS DEFINED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

14       SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
15 October 1, 2000.