

CHAPTER 76

(Senate Bill 513)

AN ACT concerning

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission – Appointment of District of Columbia Member

FOR the purpose of altering the agency from which the District of Columbia is required to appoint a District of Columbia member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission; providing that an amendment to a certain provision of law does not affect any member of the Commission in office on the effective date of the amendment; making this Act subject to a certain contingency; and generally relating to the appointment of the District of Columbia member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 10–203 Title I Article I and Article II
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2008 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 10–203 Title I Article III Section 1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Replacement Volume)

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

Article – Transportation

10–203.

TITLE I

General Compact Provisions

Article I

There is created the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit District, referred to as the Metropolitan District, which shall include: the District of Columbia; the cities of Alexandria and Falls Church of the State of Virginia; Arlington County and Fairfax

County of the State of Virginia, the political subdivisions located within those counties, and that portion of Loudoun County, Virginia, occupied by the Washington Dulles International Airport; Montgomery County and Prince George's County of the State of Maryland, and the political subdivisions located within those counties; and all other cities now or hereafter existing in Maryland or Virginia within the geographic area bounded by the outer boundaries of the combined area of those counties, cities, and airports.

Article II

1. The signatories hereby create the "Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission", hereafter called the "Commission", which shall be an instrumentality of the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the State of Maryland, and shall have the powers and duties set forth in the Compact and those additional powers and duties conferred upon it by subsequent action of the signatories.

2. The Commission shall have jurisdiction coextensive with the Metropolitan District for the regulation of passenger transportation within the Metropolitan District on a coordinated basis, without regard to political boundaries within the Metropolitan District, as set forth in this Compact.

Article III

1. (a) The Commission shall be composed of 3 members, one member appointed by the Governor of Virginia from the State Corporation Commission of the Commonwealth of Virginia, one member appointed by the Governor of Maryland from the Maryland Public Service Commission, and one member appointed by the Mayor of the District of Columbia from [the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia] **A DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AGENCY WITH OVERSIGHT OF MATTERS RELATING TO THE COMMISSION.**

(b) A member appointed shall serve for a term coincident with the term of that member on the agency of the signatory, and a member may be removed or suspended from office as the law of the appointing signatory provides.

(c) Vacancies shall be filled for an unexpired term in the same manner as an original appointment.

(D) AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 1(A) OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL NOT AFFECT ANY MEMBER IN OFFICE ON THE AMENDMENT'S EFFECTIVE DATE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not take effect until a similar Act is enacted by the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia; that the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia are requested to concur in this Act of the General Assembly of Maryland by the enactment

of a similar Act; that the Department of Legislative Services shall notify the appropriate officials of the Commonwealth of Virginia, the District of Columbia, and the United States Congress of the enactment of this Act; and that on the concurrence in this Act by the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia and approval by the United States Congress, the Governor of the State of Maryland shall issue a proclamation declaring this Act valid and effective and shall forward a copy of the proclamation to the Executive Director of the Maryland Department of Legislative Services.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall take effect June 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, April 14, 2009.