

**HB1515/893029/1**

BY: Senator Rosapepe

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1515  
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, at the top of the page insert “CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT”; in line 3, after “of” insert “proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution relating to transportation financing; providing that the General Assembly may authorize a referendum on a transportation investment program; providing that a transportation investment program submitted to referendum may include a certain source of revenue or authorize the issuance of certain bonds; requiring that a transportation investment program submitted to referendum include a list of certain transportation projects; providing that a transportation investment program submitted to referendum becomes law, after approval by the voters of the State, at a time specified in a certain law; submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection:”.

On page 2, after line 39, insert:

“BY proposing an addition to the Maryland Constitution  
Article III – Legislative Department  
Section 53”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, after line 19, insert:

“SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, (Three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses concurring), That it be proposed that the Maryland Constitution read as follows:

Article III – Legislative Department

(Over)

53.

(A) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY, BY LAW, AUTHORIZE A REFERENDUM ON A TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM.

(B) A TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM SUBMITTED TO REFERENDUM UNDER THIS SECTION:

(1) SHALL INCLUDE A LIST OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS TO BE COMPLETED THROUGH THE TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM;

(2) MAY INCLUDE A SOURCE OF REVENUE THAT MAY BE USED SOLELY TO FULLY OR PARTIALLY FINANCE THE PROJECTS IDENTIFIED IN THE TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM; AND

(3) MAY AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS SPECIFICALLY TO FINANCE THE PROJECTS IDENTIFIED IN THE TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM.

(C) A TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM SUBMITTED TO REFERENDUM UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BECOME LAW, AFTER APPROVAL BY A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS IN THE STATE VOTING ON THE QUESTION IN A GENERAL ELECTION, AT A TIME SPECIFIED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN THE LAW AUTHORIZING THE REFERENDUM.”;

and in lines 20 and 21, strike beginning with “1.” in line 20 down through “MARYLAND” in line 21 and substitute “1A. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 26, after line 9, insert:

“SECTION 13. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the General Assembly determines that the amendment to the Maryland Constitution proposed by Section 1 of this Act affects multiple jurisdictions and that the provisions of Article XIV, § 1 of the Maryland Constitution concerning local approval of constitutional amendments do not apply.

SECTION 14. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the amendment to the Maryland Constitution proposed by Section 1 of this Act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the State at the next general election to be held in November 2014 for their adoption or rejection pursuant to Article XIV of the Maryland Constitution. At that general election, the vote on this proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words “For the Constitutional Amendment” and “Against the Constitutional Amendment,” as now provided by law. Immediately after the election, all returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against the proposed amendment, as directed by Article XIV of the Maryland Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with Article XIV.”;

in line 10, strike “13.” and substitute “15.”; and in line 11, strike “11 and 12” and substitute “11, 12, 13, and 14”.