SENATE BILL 730

R1

4lr2255 CF HB 389

By: **Senators Jacobs, Colburn, Glassman, and Hershey** Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2014 Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Maryland Transportation Authority – Transportation Facilities Projects – Cash Toll Lanes

- FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to maintain at
 certain transportation facilities projects at least one cash toll lane and as many
 additional cash toll lanes as necessary to ensure that motorists are not unduly
 delayed in passing through the toll plaza; and generally relating to cash toll
 lanes at transportation facilities projects.
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- 10 Article Transportation
- 11 Section 4–101(h)
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)
- 14 BY adding to
- 15 Article Transportation
- 16 Section 4–406
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)
- 19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 20 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 21

Article – Transportation

- 22 4–101.
- 23 (h) "Transportation facilities project" includes:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



SENATE BILL 730

1 (1) The Susquehanna River Bridge, the Harry W. Nice Memorial 2 Potomac River Bridge, the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay 3 Bridge and parallel Chesapeake Bay Bridge, the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel, the Fort 4 McHenry Tunnel, the Francis Scott Key Bridge, and the John F. Kennedy Memorial 5 Highway, together with their appurtenant causeways, approaches, interchanges, 6 entrance plazas, toll stations, and service facilities;

- 7 (2) A vehicle parking facility located in a priority funding area as 8 defined in § 5–7B–02 of the State Finance and Procurement Article;
- 9 (3) Any other project for transportation facilities that the Authority 10 authorizes to be acquired or constructed; and

11 (4) Any additions, improvements, or enlargements to any of these 12 projects, whenever authorized.

13 **4–406.**

14AT EACH TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES PROJECT, EXCLUDING THE15INTERCOUNTY CONNECTOR, INTERSTATE 95 EXPRESS TOLL LANES, OR A16VEHICLE PARKING FACILITY, THE AUTHORITY SHALL MAINTAIN:

17(1)AT LEAST ONE LANE WHERE MOTORISTS MAY PAY THE TOLL18IN CASH; AND

19 (2) AS MANY ADDITIONAL LANES WHERE MOTORISTS MAY PAY 20 THE TOLL IN CASH AS ARE NECESSARY TO ENSURE THAT MOTORISTS PAYING 21 THE TOLL IN CASH ARE NOT UNDULY DELAYED IN PASSING THROUGH THE TOLL 22 PLAZA.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 24 June 1, 2014.

 $\mathbf{2}$