

# HOUSE BILL 300

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## ENROLLED BILL

— *Environment and Transportation/Finance* —

Introduced by **Delegates Korman, Platt, Angel, Barkley, D. Barnes, Barron, Campos, Carr, Cullison, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frick, Gilchrist, Gutierrez, Hettleman, Jackson, Kaiser, Kelly, Knotts, Kramer, Krebs, Krimm, Lam, Luedtke, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Reznik, S. Robinson, Smith, Tarlau, Valderrama, Waldstreicher, A. Washington, M. Washington, K. Young, and Zucker**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Speaker.

### CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Department of Transportation – Washington Metropolitan Area Transit**  
3 **Authority Services – Utilization Study**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the  
5 Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, to study certain matters relating  
6 to the utilization of transportation services provided by the Authority with a certain  
7 frequency; requiring the Department to collect, analyze, and evaluate certain  
8 information; requiring that the information used in the study be gathered from data  
9 obtained within a certain period of time, subject to a certain exception; requiring that  
10 information used in the study pertaining to Maryland jurisdictions be organized in

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#### EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

*Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.*



1 a certain manner; requiring the Department to submit a certain report to the  
 2 Governor and certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date  
 3 ~~with a certain frequency; providing for the termination of this Act;~~ and generally  
 4 relating to a study of the utilization of transportation services provided by the  
 5 Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

6 BY adding to

7 Article – Transportation

8 Section 7-708

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

13 Article – Transportation

14 7-708.

15 (A) (1) THE DEPARTMENT, IN COOPERATION WITH THE WASHINGTON  
 16 METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY (WMATA), SHALL CONDUCT A STUDY  
 17 EVERY 5 YEARS OF THE UTILIZATION OF BUS, RAIL, AND SUBWAY TRANSPORTATION  
 18 SERVICES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF WMATA.

19 (2) IN CONDUCTING THE STUDY, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

20 ~~1.~~ (I) COMPILE AND ANALYZE STATISTICS  
 21 REGARDING THE STARTING POINTS AND DESTINATIONS, BY JURISDICTION, OF  
 22 INDIVIDUALS USING WMATA-PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES;

23 ~~2.~~ (II) DETERMINE THE MODES OF TRANSPORTATION  
 24 INDIVIDUALS USE TO CONNECT TO WMATA-PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION  
 25 SERVICES AND THE MODES OF TRANSPORTATION USED BETWEEN  
 26 WMATA-PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AND FINAL DESTINATIONS,  
 27 INCLUDING WALKING, PERSONAL VEHICLE, BUS, AND MARYLAND AREA ~~RAIL~~  
 28 REGIONAL COMMUTER (MARC) TRAIN;

29 ~~3.~~ (III) COMPILE AND ANALYZE DATA ON THE NUMBER  
 30 OF INDIVIDUALS WHO USE METRORAIL, METROBUS, AND METROACCESS AND THE  
 31 FREQUENCY OF USE; AND

32 ~~4.~~ (IV) STUDY AND COMPARE THE VARIOUS REASONS  
 33 INDIVIDUALS USE WMATA-PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, INCLUDING  
 34 TRAVELING FOR WORK, EDUCATIONAL, ENTERTAINMENT, RECREATIONAL, OR  
 35 OTHER PURPOSES.

1           **(3) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS**  
 2 **PARAGRAPH, THE INFORMATION USED IN THE STUDY SHALL BE FROM DATA**  
 3 **GATHERED WITHIN THE PREVIOUS 5 YEARS.**

4           **(II) IN CONDUCTING THE FIRST STUDY, THE DEPARTMENT**  
 5 **SHALL COMPILE AND ANALYZE THE INFORMATION PERTAINING TO**  
 6 **WMATA-PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION SERVICES LISTED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2)**  
 7 **OF THIS SUBSECTION THAT IS AVAILABLE AT THE TIME.**

8           **(4) (I) INFORMATION USED IN THE STUDY PERTAINING TO**  
 9 **MARYLAND JURISDICTIONS SHALL BE ORGANIZED:**

10                   **1. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS**  
 11 **PARAGRAPH, BY JURISDICTION RATHER THAN BY REGION, INCLUDING SEPARATE**  
 12 **INFORMATION FOR BALTIMORE COUNTY AND BALTIMORE CITY; OR**

13                           **2. BY ZIP CODE.**

14           **(II) INFORMATION PERTAINING TO CAROLINE COUNTY, CECIL**  
 15 **COUNTY, DORCHESTER COUNTY, KENT COUNTY, QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY,**  
 16 **SOMERSET COUNTY, TALBOT COUNTY, WICOMICO COUNTY, AND WORCESTER**  
 17 **COUNTY MAY BE COMPILED AND ORGANIZED UNDER THE CATEGORY "OTHER**  
 18 **MARYLAND".**

19           **(B) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2015, AND EVERY 5 YEARS THEREAFTER,**  
 20 **THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT DETAILING THE RESULTS OF THE**  
 21 **STUDY CONDUCTED UNDER THIS SECTION TO THE GOVERNOR AND, IN ACCORDANCE**  
 22 **WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE SENATE BUDGET AND**  
 23 **TAXATION COMMITTEE, THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE, THE HOUSE**  
 24 **APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, AND THE HOUSE ENVIRONMENT AND**  
 25 **TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.**

26           ~~(a) (1) The Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Washington~~  
 27 ~~Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), shall study the utilization of bus, rail, and~~  
 28 ~~subway transportation services under the jurisdiction of WMATA.~~

29           ~~(2) In conducting the study, the Department shall:~~

30                   ~~(i) compile and analyze statistics regarding the starting points and~~  
 31 ~~destinations, by jurisdiction, of individuals using WMATA provided transportation~~  
 32 ~~services;~~

33                   ~~(ii) determine the modes of transportation individuals use to connect~~  
 34 ~~to WMATA provided transportation services and the modes of transportation used~~

~~1 between WMATA provided transportation services and final destinations, including  
2 walking, personal vehicle, bus, and Maryland Area Rail Commuter (MARC) train;~~

~~3 (iii) compile and analyze data on the number of individuals who use  
4 Metrorail, Metrobus, and MetroAccess and the frequency of use; and~~

~~5 (iv) study and compare the various reasons individuals use  
6 WMATA provided transportation services, including traveling for work, educational,  
7 entertainment, recreational, or other purposes.~~

~~8 (3) The information used in the study shall be from data gathered within  
9 the previous 2 years.~~

~~10 (4) Information used in the study pertaining to Maryland jurisdictions  
11 shall be organized by individual jurisdiction rather than by region, including separating  
12 information for Baltimore County and Baltimore City.~~

~~13 (b) On or before December 1, 2015, the Department shall submit a report  
14 detailing the results of the study conducted under this Act to the Governor and, in  
15 accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, the Senate Budget and Taxation  
16 Committee, the Senate Finance Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the  
17 House Environment and Transportation Committee.~~

~~18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June  
19 1, 2015. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of May 31, 2016, with  
20 no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no  
21 further force and effect.~~

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.