

HOUSE BILL 35

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(PRE-FILED)

By: **Delegate McConkey**

Requested: October 30, 2015

Introduced and read first time: January 13, 2016

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Transportation Authority – Chesapeake Bay Bridge – Toll Collection**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to implement a
4 procedure at the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay Bridge by a
5 certain date that requires all tolls to be paid by a certain electronic means; and
6 generally relating to the collection of tolls for the use of the William Preston Lane,
7 Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay Bridge.

8 BY adding to

9 Article – Transportation

10 Section 4-406

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)

13 Preamble

14 WHEREAS, Payment of tolls in cash impedes the flow of traffic across the William
15 Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay Bridge; and

16 WHEREAS, Electronic toll payment allows vehicles to pass through the toll plaza
17 without pausing at a toll booth; now, therefore,

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Transportation**

21 **4-406.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **BY JULY 1, 2026, THE AUTHORITY SHALL IMPLEMENT A PROCEDURE FOR THE**
2 **PAYMENT OF TOLLS AT THE WILLIAM PRESTON LANE, JR. MEMORIAL CHESAPEAKE**
3 **BAY BRIDGE THAT REQUIRES ALL TOLLS TO BE PAID BY AN ELECTRONIC MEANS**
4 **THAT ALLOWS VEHICLES TO PASS THROUGH THE TOLL PLAZA WITHOUT STOPPING**
5 **AT A TOLL BOOTH.**

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
7 1, 2016.