HOUSE BILL 377

R1 HB 49/17 – ENV

By: **Delegates McConkey, Malone, and Saab** Introduced and read first time: January 24, 2018 Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

Maryland Transportation Authority - Chesapeake Bay Bridge - Toll Collection

1 AN ACT concerning

- FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to implement a procedure at the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay Bridge by a certain date that requires all tolls to be paid by a certain electronic means; and
- 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

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- 9 Article Transportation
- 10 Section 4–406
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)
- 13 Preamble
- WHEREAS, Payment of tolls in cash impedes the flow of traffic across the William
- 15 Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay Bridge; and
- 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.**
- 22 By July 1, 2028, the Authority shall implement a procedure for the

- 1 PAYMENT OF TOLLS AT THE WILLIAM PRESTON LANE, JR. MEMORIAL CHESAPEAKE
- 2 BAY BRIDGE THAT REQUIRES ALL TOLLS TO BE PAID BY AN ELECTRONIC MEANS
- 3 THAT ALLOWS VEHICLES TO PASS THROUGH THE TOLL PLAZA WITHOUT STOPPING
- 4 AT A TOLL BOOTH.
- 5 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
- 6 1, 2018.