

## Chapter 310

**(House Bill 748)**

AN ACT concerning

**Transportation – Kim Lamphier Bikeways Network Program**

FOR the purpose of codifying the Bikeways Network Program; specifying the purpose of the Program; requiring the Department of Transportation to establish application and eligibility criteria for the Program; ~~requiring the Governor to include in the State budget a certain annual appropriation for the Program; requiring that a certain amount of the appropriation be distributed for a certain purpose;~~ renaming the Program to be the Kim Lamphier Bikeways Network Program; and generally relating to the Kim Lamphier Bikeways Network Program.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 2–608

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)

## Preamble

WHEREAS, Kimberly Ann Lamphier, or “Kim”, as she was known to most, was the leader in bringing safer cycling and more connected cycling infrastructure to Maryland, having played a major role in every significant recent piece of legislation on the topic, including the “three-foot rule”, authorization for the use of pedestrian hybrid beacons, or HAWK signals, Complete Streets, and Vision Zero, to name a few, in addition to the many other causes for which she advocated; and

WHEREAS, Kim was an ardent supporter of State cycling infrastructure programs, including the Bikeways Network Program; and

WHEREAS, Cyclists throughout Maryland have directly benefited from Kim’s tireless advocacy, support, and promotion of the sport of cycling; and

WHEREAS, Riding clubs, advocacy organizations, and local governments all continue to thrive and enjoy better cycling infrastructure because of Kim’s efforts; now, therefore,

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

**Article – Transportation****2–608.**

(A) IN THIS SECTION, “PROGRAM” MEANS THE KIM LAMPHIER BIKEWAYS NETWORK PROGRAM.

(B) THERE IS A KIM LAMPHIER BIKEWAYS NETWORK PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT.

(C) THE PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE GRANT SUPPORT FOR BICYCLE NETWORK DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.

(D) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH APPLICATION AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE PROGRAM.

~~(E) EACH YEAR, THE GOVERNOR SHALL INCLUDE IN THE ANNUAL STATE BUDGET AN APPROPRIATION OF AT LEAST \$3,800,000 FROM THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND FOR THE OPERATION OF THE PROGRAM.~~

~~(F) AT LEAST \$100,000 OF THE APPROPRIATION REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE MARYLAND ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES AND THE MARYLAND MUNICIPAL LEAGUE TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES WITH THE DRAFTING AND SUBMISSION OF GRANT PROPOSALS.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2020.

Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 8, 2020.