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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Transportation - Highway User Revenues - Distribution Formula**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the formula for distributing highway user revenues to
4 Baltimore City, the counties, and municipalities; and generally relating to the
5 distribution of highway user revenues to Baltimore City, the counties, and
6 municipalities.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Transportation
9 Section 8-403
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Transportation**

15 8-403.

16 (a) (1) Subject to THE LIMITATION UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS
17 SUBSECTION AND SUBJECT TO §§ 3-307 and 3-308 of this article, during each fiscal year,
18 [15 percent] of the total highway user [revenues] REVENUES, AN AMOUNT shall be
19 distributed to Baltimore City EQUAL TO THE SUM OF:

20 (I) THE GREATER OF \$155,000,000 OR 11.5% OF THE TOTAL
21 HIGHWAY USER REVENUES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR; AND

22 (II) 11.5% OF THE AMOUNT BY WHICH THE TOTAL HIGHWAY USER
23 REVENUES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR EXCEED THE TOTAL HIGHWAY USER REVENUES
24 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR THAT BEGAN JULY 1, 1996.

25 (2) IF THE AMOUNT DISTRIBUTED TO BALTIMORE CITY UNDER
26 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION FOR ANY FISCAL YEAR IS LESS THAN 12.25% OF
27 THE TOTAL HIGHWAY USER REVENUES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, THE AMOUNT
28 DISTRIBUTED TO BALTIMORE CITY FOR ANY SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR THAT

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1 BEGINS BEFORE JULY 1, 2007 MAY NOT EXCEED 12.25% OF THE TOTAL HIGHWAY
2 USER REVENUES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR FOR WHICH THE DISTRIBUTION IS MADE.

3 (3) THE AMOUNT DISTRIBUTED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE
4 DISTRIBUTED in monthly installments.

5 (b) Subject to §§ 3-307 and 3-308 of this article, during each fiscal year, [15
6 percent] 30% of the total highway user [revenues] REVENUES, LESS THE AMOUNT
7 DISTRIBUTED TO BALTIMORE CITY UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, shall
8 be distributed to the counties and municipalities of this State at the times specified in §
9 8-407 of this subtitle.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That for the fiscal year that
11 begins July 1, 1996, the amount to be distributed to Baltimore City under § 8-403(a)(1) of
12 the Transportation Article is the greater of \$155,000,000 or 11.5% of the total highway
13 user revenues for the fiscal year.

14 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 July 1, 1996.