

Department of Fiscal Services
Maryland General Assembly

FISCAL NOTE
Revised

House Bill 746 (Delegate Barve, et al.)

Appropriations

Referred to Budget and Taxation

Transportation Services - Fiscal Assistance

This enrolled bill requires the Department of Transportation to fund up to \$4 million of the local costs of providing paratransit services in compliance with the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act. Current law requires the provision of this grant in fiscal 1996 only and includes a maximum departmental funding level of \$3.45 million.

The bill is effective July 1, 1996 and sunsets June 30, 1999.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Special fund expenditures could increase by an estimated \$4.0 million in FY 1997. No effect on revenues.

(\$ in millions)	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
SF Revenues	--	--	--	--	--
SF Expenditures	\$4.0	\$4.0	\$4.0	\$0	\$0
Net Effect	(\$4.0)	(\$4.0)	(\$4.0)	\$0	\$0

Note: () - decrease; GF - general funds; FF - federal funds; SF - special funds

Local Effect: Revenue could increase by an estimated \$4.0 million beginning in FY 1997. No effect on expenditures.

Fiscal Analysis

State Expenditures: Current law requires DOT to provide total grants of up to \$3.45 million for paratransit services in fiscal 1996 only. Estimates of paratransit spending by political subdivision for fiscal 1997 are presented in Exhibit 1. Out-year estimates assume 3% annual inflation.

Exhibit 1
 Estimates of Paratransit Spending
 (\$ in thousands)

Counties	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Montgomery	\$2,010	\$2,070	\$2,132	\$2,197	\$2,262
Prince George's	576	593	611	630	648
Frederick	418	431	444	457	470
Washington	290	299	308	317	326
Howard	272	280	288	297	306
Harford	209	214	220	227	234
St. Mary's	180	185	191	197	203
Allegany	60	62	64	66	68
Municipalities					
Ocean City	169	174	179	184	190
Annapolis	151	156	161	166	171
TOTAL	\$4,335	\$4,464	\$4,598	\$4,738	\$4,878

Since local spending exceeds the \$4 million authorized under the bill, Transportation Trust Fund expenditures would increase by \$4.0 million in fiscal 1997.

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