Unofficial Copy L5

1997 Regular Session 7lr0323

By: Montgomery County and Prince George's County Delegations
Introduced and read first time: January 31, 1997
Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters
Committee Report: Favorable
House action: Adopted
Read second time: March 17, 1997
CHAPTER
1 AN ACT concerning
2 WMATA - Service Changes and Notice Requirements - Repeal of Provisions Applicable
3 Solely to Maryland
4 MC/PG 20-97
5 FOR the purpose of repealing certain provisions applicable solely to Maryland
6 concerning the manner that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority is
7 required to determine major service reductions for certain purposes and provide
8 certain notice.
9 BY repealing
10 Chapter 686 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1996
Section 2 and 3
12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
14 Chapter 686 of the Acts of 1996
15 [SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, in Maryland, the
16 Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority shall conform with the following
17 standards that constitute a major service reduction. A major service reduction includes:
18 (1) one or more reductions in a single year that represent a total reduction of more than
19 20% in that year in the number of scheduled revenue miles; (2) one or more reductions in
20 a single year that represent a total reduction of more than 1 hour in that year in the hours
21 of service; (3) one or more reductions in a single year that represent a total reduction of
22 more than 15% in that year in the number of route miles; or (4) one or more eliminations

23 of service in a single year that represent a total elimination of service in that year for

2

- $1\,$ more than 10% of current riders. Any change that does not conform with these standards
- 2 shall constitute a minor service reduction.]
- 3 [SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, in Maryland, any posting
- 4 of notice of public hearing regulations adopted by the Washington Metropolitan Area
- 5 Transit Authority under this Act shall include requirements for advanced posting of
- 6 notice at stations, terminals, bus shelters, and vehicles that serve members of the public
- 7 that are directly affected by a proposed change.]
- 8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 9 June 1, 1997.