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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2                                   **Transportation - State Highway Administration - Minimum Annual**  
3                                   **Expenditures**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to budget an amount of annual  
5 expenditures for State Highway Administration capital projects that is not less  
6 than the amount spent on State Highway Administration capital projects in  
7 fiscal year 2001; requiring the Governor to adjust the amount budgeted  
8 annually in accordance with adjustments in a federal index of highway  
9 construction costs; requiring the amount budgeted to remain at that level  
10 without regard to changes in the source of funds for the Administration; and  
11 generally relating to expenditures for State Highway Administration capital  
12 projects.

13 BY adding to  
14 Article - Transportation  
15 Section 2-103.6  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (1993 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

20                                   **Article - Transportation**

21 2-103.6.

22 (A) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE GOVERNOR  
23 SHALL PROVIDE IN EACH ANNUAL BUDGET EXPENDITURES FOR STATE HIGHWAY  
24 ADMINISTRATION CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT ARE NOT LESS THAN THE AMOUNT  
25 EXPENDED FOR STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION CAPITAL PROJECT IN FISCAL  
26 YEAR 2001.

1           (2)     THE GOVERNOR SHALL ADJUST THE AMOUNT BUDGETED UNDER  
2 PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION ANNUALLY TO REFLECT ADJUSTMENTS IN THE  
3 FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION'S HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION COSTS  
4 COMPOSITE PRICE INDEX.

5     (B)     THE GOVERNOR SHALL PROVIDE IN EACH ANNUAL BUDGET  
6 EXPENDITURES FOR STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION CAPITAL PROJECTS AS  
7 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION NOTWITHSTANDING CHANGES IN  
8 THE SOURCES OF FUNDING FOR THE STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION.

9     SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
10 effect July 1, 2000.