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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Emergency Medical System Operations Fund - Prince George's**
3 **Hospital Regional Trauma Center**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that one of the authorized uses of money in the
5 Maryland Emergency Medical System Operations Fund is for the Prince
6 George's Hospital Regional Trauma Center; and generally relating to the
7 Maryland Emergency Medical System Operations Fund.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article - Transportation
10 Section 13-955
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

15 **Article - Transportation**

16 13-955.

17 (a) In this section, "Fund" means the Maryland Emergency Medical System
18 Operations Fund.

19 (b) (1) There is a Maryland Emergency Medical System Operations Fund.

20 (2) The Fund is a continuing, nonlapsing fund which is not subject to §
21 7-302 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

22 (3) Interest and earnings on the Fund shall be separately accounted for
23 and credited to the Fund, and are not subject to § 6-226(a) of the State Finance and
24 Procurement Article.

25 (c) The Fund consists of:

1 (1) Registration surcharges collected under § 13-954 of this subtitle; and

2 (2) All funds, including charges for accident scene transports and
3 interhospital transfers of patients, generated by an entity specified in subsection (e)
4 of this section that is a unit of State government.

5 (d) Expenditures from the Fund shall be made pursuant to an appropriation
6 approved by the General Assembly in the annual State budget or by the budget
7 amendment procedure provided under § 7-209 of the State Finance and Procurement
8 Article, provided that any budget amendment shall be submitted to and approved by
9 the Legislative Policy Committee prior to the expenditure or obligation of funds.

10 (e) The money in the Fund shall be used solely for:

11 (1) Medically oriented functions of the Department of State Police,
12 Special Operations Bureau, Aviation Division;

13 (2) The Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems;

14 (3) The R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center at the University of
15 Maryland Medical System;

16 (4) THE PRINCE GEORGE'S HOSPITAL REGIONAL TRAUMA CENTER;

17 [(4)] (5) The Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute;

18 [(5)] (6) The provision of grants under the State Fire, Rescue, and
19 Ambulance Fund in accordance with the provisions of Article 38A, §§ 45A through
20 45D of the Code; and

21 [(6)] (7) The Low Interest Revolving Loan Account under the Volunteer
22 Company Assistance Fund in accordance with the provisions of Article 38A, §§ 46E
23 through 46H of the Code.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
25 July 1, 2001.