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By: **The President (Administration) and Senators Ruben, McFadden, and Conway**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Transportation Authority - Vehicle Parking Facilities**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Transportation Authority to finance,  
4 construct, operate, maintain, and repair certain vehicle parking facilities under  
5 certain circumstances; defining a term; altering the definition of a certain term;  
6 and generally relating to transportation facilities projects of the Maryland  
7 Transportation Authority.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article - Transportation  
10 Section 4-101  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (1993 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
14 Article - Transportation  
15 Section 4-204  
16 Annotated Code of Maryland  
17 (1993 Replacement Volume and 2000 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 4-101.

22 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

23 (b) "Authority" means the Maryland Transportation Authority.

24 (c) "Cost", as applied to any transportation facilities project, includes the cost  
25 of and all expenses incident to the construction, reconstruction, acquisition,

1 improvement, extension, alteration, modernization, planning, maintenance, and  
2 repair of the project, including the cost and expenses of:

- 3 (1) All property acquired in connection with it;
- 4 (2) Financial, architectural, consulting, engineering, and legal services;
- 5 (3) Plans, specifications, surveys, estimates, feasibility reports, and  
6 direct and indirect labor, material, equipment, and administrative expenses; and
- 7 (4) Financing the project, including financing charges and interest  
8 before, during, and for 1 year after completion of construction.

9 (d) "Outstanding and unpaid" does not include:

- 10 (1) Bonds purchased and held in sinking funds by or for the Authority; or
- 11 (2) If the money for their payment or redemption has been provided:
  - 12 (i) Matured bonds not presented for payment; or
  - 13 (ii) Bonds called for redemption but not presented for redemption.

14 (e) "Refunding" means the retirement and cancellation of bonds, including  
15 revenue bonds of prior issues, after their acquisition by or for the Authority, whether  
16 before, at, or after maturity, either in exchange for other bonds or by payment,  
17 purchase, or redemption with the proceeds of the sale of other bonds.

18 (f) "Resolution", as used with respect to the Authority, means a resolution  
19 adopted by the affirmative vote of a majority of the appointed members of the  
20 Authority and concurred in by the Chairman.

21 (g) "Revenue bonds of prior issues" means:

- 22 (1) "State of Maryland Bridge and Tunnel Revenue Bonds" dated as of  
23 October 1, 1954;
- 24 (2) "State of Maryland Northeastern Expressway Revenue Bonds" dated  
25 as of January 1, 1962;
- 26 (3) "State of Maryland Bridge and Tunnel Revenue Bonds":
  - 27 (i) "(Series 1968)" dated as of October 1, 1968; and
  - 28 (ii) "(Series 1975)" dated as of July 1, 1975; and
- 29 (4) Any other revenue bonds issued under the same provisions of law  
30 that authorized the issuance of the bonds listed in this subsection.

31 (h) "Transportation facility" has the meaning stated in § 3-101 of this article.

1 (i) "Transportation facilities project" includes:

2 (1) The Susquehanna River Bridge, the Harry W. Nice Memorial  
3 Potomac River Bridge, the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay  
4 Bridge and parallel Chesapeake Bay Bridge, the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel, the  
5 Francis Scott Key Bridge, and the John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway, together with  
6 their appurtenant causeways, approaches, interchanges, entrance plazas, toll  
7 stations, and service facilities;

8 (2) A VEHICLE PARKING FACILITY LOCATED IN A PRIORITY FUNDING  
9 AREA AS DEFINED IN § 5-7B-02 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT  
10 ARTICLE;

11 [(2)] (3) Any other project for transportation facilities that the Authority  
12 authorizes to be acquired or constructed; and

13 [(3)] (4) Any additions, improvements, or enlargements to any of these  
14 projects, whenever authorized.

15 (J) "VEHICLE PARKING FACILITY" MEANS A CONTROLLED ENTRANCE AND  
16 EXIT BUILDING, STRUCTURE, SURFACE LOT, AND OTHER FACILITY FOR PARKING  
17 VEHICLES, FOR WHICH FEES OR CHARGES ARE ESTABLISHED FOR THE USE OF THE  
18 FACILITY.

19 4-204.

20 (a) Acting on behalf of the Department, the Authority has those powers and  
21 duties relating to the supervision, financing, construction, operation, maintenance,  
22 and repair of transportation facilities projects as are granted to it by this title or any  
23 other provisions of law.

24 (b) The Authority has general supervision over all transportation facilities  
25 projects.

26 (c) The Authority shall finance, construct, operate, repair, and maintain in  
27 good order all transportation facilities projects.

28 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
29 effect October 1, 2001.