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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Transportation Authority - Membership**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the number of appointed members of the Maryland  
4 Transportation Authority; prohibiting an appointed member of the Authority  
5 from being an employee of the Executive Branch of the State government;  
6 altering the terms of the appointed members of the Authority; limiting the  
7 number of terms that an appointed member of the Authority may serve;  
8 providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the  
9 membership of the Maryland Transportation Authority.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

11 Article - Transportation

12 Section 4-202

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article - Transportation**

18 4-202.

19 (a) The Secretary of Transportation is the Chairman of the Authority.

20 (b) (1) In addition to the Chairman, the Authority consists of [six] EIGHT  
21 members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

22 (2) THE APPOINTED MEMBERS OF THE AUTHORITY MAY NOT BE  
23 EMPLOYEES OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT.

24 (c) (1) Each appointed member serves for a term of [3] 2 years and until his  
25 successor is appointed and qualifies.

1           (2)     The terms of [one third] HALF of the appointed members expire each  
2 year.

3           (3)     AN APPOINTED MEMBER MAY NOT SERVE MORE THAN TWO  
4 CONSECUTIVE TERMS.

5           [(2)]   (4)     A member appointed to fill a vacancy in an unexpired term  
6 serves only for the remainder of that term.

7       (d)     A member of the Authority is entitled to:

8           (1)     The compensation provided in the State budget; and

9           (2)     Reimbursement for expenses, in accordance with the Standard State  
10 Travel Regulations of the Department of Budget and Management.

11       SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be  
12 construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have  
13 any effect on or application to any of the members of the Maryland Transportation  
14 Authority appointed before the effective date of this Act until the expiration of their  
15 term.

16       SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
17 effect October 1, 2005.