

# HOUSE BILL 739

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By: **Delegate Heller (Chair, Joint Committee on Federal Relations) and  
Delegates Burns, Haddaway, Hubbard, Kaiser, Ramirez, and Weldon**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission - Appointment of**  
3 **Virginia Member**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the agency of the Commonwealth of Virginia from which  
5 the Governor of Virginia is required to appoint the Virginia member of the  
6 Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission; making this Act subject to  
7 a certain contingency; and generally relating to the appointment of the Virginia  
8 member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
10 Article - Transportation  
11 Section 10-203 Title I Article I and Article II  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
15 Article - Transportation  
16 Section 10-203 Title I Article III Section 1(a)  
17 Annotated Code of Maryland  
18 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

21 **Article - Transportation**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 10-203.

2 TITLE I

3 General Compact Provisions

4 Article I

5 There is created the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit District, referred to  
6 as the Metropolitan District, which shall include: the District of Columbia; the cities of  
7 Alexandria and Falls Church of the State of Virginia; Arlington County and Fairfax  
8 County of the State of Virginia, the political subdivisions located within those  
9 counties, and that portion of Loudoun County, Virginia, occupied by the Washington  
10 Dulles International Airport; Montgomery County and Prince George's County of the  
11 State of Maryland, and the political subdivisions located within those counties; and all  
12 other cities now or hereafter existing in Maryland or Virginia within the geographic  
13 area bounded by the outer boundaries of the combined area of those counties, cities,  
14 and airports.

15 Article II

16 1. The signatories hereby create the "Washington Metropolitan Area  
17 Transit Commission", hereafter called the "Commission", which shall be an  
18 instrumentality of the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the  
19 State of Maryland, and shall have the powers and duties set forth in the Compact and  
20 those additional powers and duties conferred upon it by subsequent action of the  
21 signatories.

22 2. The Commission shall have jurisdiction coextensive with the  
23 Metropolitan District for the regulation of passenger transportation within the  
24 Metropolitan District on a coordinated basis, without regard to political boundaries  
25 within the Metropolitan District, as set forth in this Compact.

26 Article III

27 1. (a) The Commission shall be composed of 3 members, one member  
28 appointed by the Governor of Virginia from the [State Corporation Commission]  
29 **DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES** of the Commonwealth of Virginia, one member  
30 appointed by the Governor of Maryland from the Maryland Public Service  
31 Commission, and one member appointed by the Mayor of the District of Columbia from  
32 the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia.

33 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not take  
34 effect until a similar Act is enacted by the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District  
35 of Columbia; that the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia are  
36 requested to concur in this Act of the General Assembly of Maryland by the enactment

1 of a similar Act; that the Department of Legislative Services shall notify the  
2 appropriate officials of the Commonwealth of Virginia, the District of Columbia, and  
3 the United States Congress of the enactment of this Act; and that upon the  
4 concurrence in this Act by the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia  
5 and approval by the United States Congress, the Governor of the State of Maryland  
6 shall issue a proclamation declaring this Act valid and effective and shall forward a  
7 copy of the proclamation to the Executive Director of the Maryland Department of  
8 Legislative Services.

9 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to Section 2 of  
10 this Act, this Act shall take effect June 1, 2008.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.