

HOUSE BILL 784

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Consolidated Transportation Program – Traffic Congestion Reporting**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Transportation to include a ~~report~~
4 section in the annual Consolidated Transportation Program ~~on efforts~~
5 describing activities by the Department and the Maryland Transportation
6 Authority to address traffic congestion; requiring the ~~report~~ section to include
7 ~~measures~~ activities that ~~should~~ may be implemented by other State agencies or
8 local governments to reduce traffic congestion and travel demand and enhance
9 mobility throughout the State; requiring the ~~report~~ section to include the
10 anticipated effect that new capital projects that have an identified purpose of
11 reducing congestion will have on traffic congestion and mobility ~~in the State~~;
12 and generally relating to traffic congestion in the State.

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article – Transportation
15 Section 2–103.1(c)
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2008 Replacement Volume)

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 2–103.1.

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 (c) (1) The Consolidated Transportation Program shall:

2 (i) Be revised annually; and

3 (ii) Include:

4 1. A list of Program priorities;

5 2. A statement of the Department's projected annual
6 operating costs, set forth separately for the Office of the Secretary and for each modal
7 administration;

8 3. Expanded descriptions of major capital projects;

9 4. A list of major capital projects for the current year,
10 the budget request year, and the 4 successive planning years;

11 5. A list of anticipated minor capital projects, including a
12 specific list of anticipated special projects for the current year and the budget request
13 year and an estimate of the Program level for each of the 4 successive planning years;

14 6. A list of major bridge work projects;

15 7. A summary of the capital and operating programs, as
16 defined by the Secretary, for the Maryland Transportation Authority;

17 8. For each listed major capital project, an indication
18 whether the revenue source anticipated to support that project consists of federal,
19 special, general, or other funds;

20 9. The Department's estimates of the levels and sources
21 of revenues to be used to fund the projects in the Program;

22 10. A glossary of terms; and

23 11. A cross-reference table for the information contained
24 in the various parts of the State Report on Transportation.

25 (2) In addition to the items listed in paragraph (1) of this subsection,
26 the Consolidated Transportation Program shall include:

27 (i) A summary of current efforts and future plans, prepared
28 after consultation with the Director of Bicycle and Pedestrian Access and the Bicycle
29 and Pedestrian Advisory Committee established under § 2-606 of this title:

30 1. To develop and promote bicycle and pedestrian
31 transportation; and

1 2. Working together with local jurisdictions, to
2 accommodate in a safe and effective manner pedestrians and bicycles within a
3 reasonable distance for walking and bicycling to rail stops, light rail stops, and subway
4 stations;

5 (ii) A listing of all bicycle and pedestrian transportation projects
6 expected to use State or federal highway funds; [and]

7 (iii) Reflected under the Office of the Secretary, any
8 technology-related project to be funded from the account established under § 2-111 of
9 this subtitle, along with a description and projected cost of each; AND

10 (IV) ~~A REPORT ON THE EFFORTS~~ **SECTION DESCRIBING THE**
11 **ACTIVITIES BY THE DEPARTMENT AND THE MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION**
12 **AUTHORITY TO ADDRESS TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN THE STATE, INCLUDING:**

13 1. ~~MEASURES THAT SHOULD~~ **ACTIVITIES THAT MAY**
14 **BE IMPLEMENTED BY OTHER STATE AGENCIES OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO**
15 **REDUCE TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND TRAVEL DEMAND AND ENHANCE MOBILITY**
16 **THROUGHOUT THE STATE; AND**

17 2. **WITH RESPECT TO ANY NEW CAPITAL PROJECT**
18 **THAT HAS AN IDENTIFIED PURPOSE OF REDUCING CONGESTION, THE**
19 **ANTICIPATED EFFECT THE PROJECT WILL HAVE ON TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND**
20 **MOBILITY ~~IN THE STATE.~~**

21 (3) Annually, the Consolidated Transportation Program shall include
22 a report that:

23 (i) Identifies each major capital project for which the budget
24 bill or a supplemental budget amendment first requests funds for the project
25 development phase or for the construction phase;

26 (ii) With respect to each major capital project for which funds
27 are requested in the budget request year, states:

28 1. The amount of the funds requested; and

29 2. The total estimated cost of the project;

30 (iii) Identifies significant changes in the cost, scope, design, or
31 scheduling of major capital projects for each completed fiscal year;

32 (iv) When there is a significant change in cost, states the
33 amount by which the expenditures that have been authorized exceed the original
34 project estimate;

1 (v) When there is a significant change, states:

2 1. The amount by which costs exceed projected costs
3 during each completed fiscal year; and

4 2. The total amount that has been expended for a major
5 capital project; and

6 (vi) Includes any other information that the Secretary believes
7 would be useful to the members of the General Assembly or other recipients of the
8 Consolidated Transportation Program.

9 (4) The total operating and capital expenditures for the Department or
10 for the Office of the Secretary or any modal administration projected in the
11 Consolidated Transportation Program for the budget request year may not exceed the
12 budget request for the Department, Office, or modal administration for that year.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 October 1, 2009.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.