

SENATE BILL 513

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By: **Senators Forehand and Muse**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission – Appointment of**
3 **District of Columbia Member**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the agency from which the District of Columbia is
5 required to appoint a District of Columbia member of the Washington
6 Metropolitan Area Transit Commission; providing that an amendment to a
7 certain provision of law does not affect any member of the Commission in office
8 on the effective date of the amendment; making this Act subject to a certain
9 contingency; and generally relating to the appointment of the District of
10 Columbia member of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
12 Article – Transportation
13 Section 10–203 Title I Article I and Article II
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2008 Replacement Volume)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
17 Article – Transportation
18 Section 10–203 Title I Article III Section 1
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2006 Replacement Volume)

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

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 **Article – Transportation**

2 10–203.

3 **TITLE I**4 **General Compact Provisions**5 **Article I**

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

16 **Article II**

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

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

27 **Article III**

28 1. (a) The Commission shall be composed of 3 members, one member
29 appointed by the Governor of Virginia from the State Corporation Commission of the
30 Commonwealth of Virginia, one member appointed by the Governor of Maryland from
31 the Maryland Public Service Commission, and one member appointed by the Mayor of
32 the District of Columbia from [the Public Service Commission of the District of
33 Columbia] **A DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AGENCY WITH OVERSIGHT OF MATTERS**
34 **RELATING TO THE COMMISSION.**

1 (b) A member appointed shall serve for a term coincident with the
2 term of that member on the agency of the signatory, and a member may be removed or
3 suspended from office as the law of the appointing signatory provides.

4 (c) Vacancies shall be filled for an unexpired term in the same manner
5 as an original appointment.

6 (D) AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 1(A) OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL
7 NOT AFFECT ANY MEMBER IN OFFICE ON THE AMENDMENT’S EFFECTIVE DATE.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not take
9 effect until a similar Act is enacted by the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District
10 of Columbia; that the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia are
11 requested to concur in this Act of the General Assembly of Maryland by the enactment
12 of a similar Act; that the Department of Legislative Services shall notify the
13 appropriate officials of the Commonwealth of Virginia, the District of Columbia, and
14 the United States Congress of the enactment of this Act; and that on the concurrence
15 in this Act by the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia and
16 approval by the United States Congress, the Governor of the State of Maryland shall
17 issue a proclamation declaring this Act valid and effective and shall forward a copy of
18 the proclamation to the Executive Director of the Maryland Department of Legislative
19 Services.

20 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to Section 2 of
21 this Act, this Act shall take effect June 1, 2009.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.