SB0059/743422/1

BY: Budget and Taxation Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 59

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "Senator McCray" and substitute "Senators McCray, Corderman, Eckardt, Edwards, Elfreth, Griffith, Guzzone, Hershey, Jackson, King, Rosapepe, Salling, Young, and Zucker"; strike beginning with the second "to" in line 4 down through "feasible" in line 5 and substitute "when feasible and practicable"; strike beginning with "unpaid" in line 10 down through "penalties" in line 11 and substitute "delinquent accounts"; and in line 14, after "circumstances;" insert "requiring the Authority to notify certain individuals eligible for a certain reimbursement;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 13, strike "VIDEO"; and in the same line, after "TOLLS" insert "OR VIDEO TOLLS".

On page 4, in line 1, strike "TO THE GREATEST EXTENT FEASIBLE" and substitute "WHEN FEASIBLE AND PRACTICABLE"; in line 2, strike "E-ZPASS ACCOUNT HOLDERS AND OTHER"; strike beginning with "TOLL" in line 3 down through "FACILITIES" in line 4 and substitute "TOLLS"; and strike beginning with the comma in line 12 down through "SERVICE" in line 14.

On page 8, in line 36, strike "REFER" and substitute ":

(I) <u>REFER</u>"; strike beginning with "FOR" in line 36 down through "PENALTIES" in line 37; and in line 38, after "COLLECTION" insert "; AND

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(II) RECALL A DELINQUENT ACCOUNT FROM THE CENTRAL COLLECTION UNIT".

On page 9, in line 7, after "PENALTIES" insert "<u>DIRECTLY TO THE</u> <u>AUTHORITY</u>"; strike in their entirety lines 15 through 22, inclusive; and after line 22, insert:

"(II) SHALL WAIVE THE CIVIL PENALTY ASSOCIATED WITH A VIDEO TOLL ON PAYMENT OF THE VIDEO TOLL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AUTHORITY'S CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PLAN AS APPROVED BY THE AUTHORITY ON FEBRUARY 24, 2022."

On page 10, in line 15, after "(I)" insert "1."; after line 18, insert:

"2. THE AUTHORITY MAY NOT OFFER MORE THAN ONE INSTALLMENT PLAN AGREEMENT TO A PERSON ALLEGED TO BE LIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION FOR PAYMENT OF THE SAME UNPAID VIDEO TOLLS AND ASSOCIATED CIVIL PENALTIES.";

in line 21, strike "OF 10% PER MONTH ON" and substitute "<u>UNTIL</u>"; in line 23, after "PERSON" insert "ARE PAID"; after line 23, insert:

"(III) THE AUTHORITY MAY CHARGE AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE
FOR AN INSTALLMENT PLAN AGREEMENT ON THE TOTAL AMOUNT OWED, NOT TO
EXCEED THE FEE AUTHORIZED BY THE CENTRAL COLLECTION UNIT FOR AN
INSTALLMENT PLAN AGREEMENT.";

in line 24, strike "(III)" and substitute "(IV)"; strike beginning with "PAY" in line 24 down through "AN" in line 25 and substitute "COMPLY WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE"; in line 26, after "MAY" insert "CANCEL THE AGREEMENT

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<u>AND</u>"; in the same line, strike "TOLLS AND PENALTIES" and substitute "<u>AMOUNT</u> <u>DUE</u>"; and after line 27, insert:

"(V) IF A PERSON DEFAULTS ON AN INSTALLMENT PLAN AGREEMENT, THE AUTHORITY MAY NOTIFY THE ADMINISTRATION THAT A REGISTERED OWNER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE HAS FAILED TO PAY THE AMOUNT DUE UNDER AN INSTALLMENT PLAN AGREEMENT AND THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL REFUSE OR SUSPEND THE REGISTRATION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE."

On pages 10 and 11, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 28 on page 10 through line 14 on page 11, inclusive.

On page 11, in line 15, strike "(3)" and substitute "(2)"; after line 22 insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before January 1, 2023, the Maryland Transportation Authority shall notify any individual who paid a civil penalty during the toll deferral period and is eligible for reimbursement of the amount paid.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

- (a) On or before December 1, 2023, the Maryland Transportation Authority shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article, on:
- (1) the number of individuals who paid a civil penalty during the toll deferral period; and
- (2) what notification of reimbursement eligibility was provided to individuals who paid a civil penalty before the establishment of the civil penalty waiver grace period.
- (b) On or before July 1, 2022, and the first day of each subsequent month, the Maryland Transportation Authority shall report to the General Assembly, in accordance with § 2-1257 of the State Government Article:

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- (1) the number of customer service agents employed at each Maryland Transportation Authority call center during the prior month; and
- (2) the number of customer service agents hired to work at each Maryland Transportation Authority call center during the prior month.";

in line 23, strike "2." and substitute "4."; and in line 24, after "2022." insert "Section 3 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of December 31, 2022, Section 3 of this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.".