

# SENATE BILL 729

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By: **Senator McCray (By Request – Baltimore City Administration)**

Introduced and read first time: February 7, 2022

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – Use of Highway User Revenues for Traffic Functions and**  
3 **Enforcement – Modification**

4 FOR the purpose of altering a certain limitation applicable to Baltimore City relating to  
5 the use of highway user revenues to pay or finance costs incurred for carrying out  
6 traffic functions and enforcing traffic laws; and generally relating to highway user  
7 revenues distributed to Baltimore City.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article – Transportation  
10 Section 8–408(a)  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

15 **Article – Transportation**

16 8–408.

17 (a) Highway user revenues distributed to Baltimore City and Kent County may  
18 be used only to pay or finance:

19 (1) Costs incurred in the construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of  
20 its highways and streets;

21 (2) **(I)** [Costs] **AS TO BALTIMORE CITY, COSTS** incurred [by its police  
22 department] for carrying out traffic functions and enforcing the traffic laws; **AND**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1                   **(II) AS TO KENT COUNTY, COSTS INCURRED BY ITS POLICE**  
2 **DEPARTMENT FOR CARRYING OUT TRAFFIC FUNCTIONS AND ENFORCING THE**  
3 **TRAFFIC LAWS;**

4           (3)    Costs incurred in its other highway related activities for:

5                   (i)    Lighting the highways;

6                   (ii)   Stormwater drainage of the highways; and

7                   (iii)   Street cleaning, but not including the cost of collection of  
8 garbage, trash, and refuse;

9           (4)    The payment of its debt service on bonds or other evidences of obligation  
10 for:

11                   (i)    The construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of its highways  
12 and streets; and

13                   (ii)   Any other of its highway activities, including lighting the  
14 highways and providing stormwater drainage;

15           (5)    The cost of transportation facilities, as defined in § 3–101 of this article;  
16 or

17           (6)    As to Kent County:

18                   (i)    The cost of maintaining county owned boat landings; and

19                   (ii)   Costs incurred in providing traffic crossing guards.

20           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
21 1, 2022.