

Chapter 555

(House Bill 335)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Transportation Authority – E-ZPass – Disputes of Charges and Fees

FOR the purpose of requiring the terms and conditions of the Maryland Transportation Authority for E-ZPass accounts to allow a person to dispute any charges or fees for the use of a Maryland toll facility to the person’s E-ZPass account within a certain period of time after the charge or fee is posted to the account; and generally relating to disputes of charges and fees to E-ZPass accounts.

BY adding to
Article – Transportation
Section 21-1417
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

Article – Transportation

21-1417.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) “AUTHORITY” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 21-1416 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(3) “E-ZPASSACCOUNT” HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 21-1416 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) (1) THE AUTHORITY SHALL REQUIRE ANY PERSON WHO APPLIES TO ESTABLISH AN E-ZPASS ACCOUNT TO AGREE TO ABIDE BY TERMS AND CONDITIONS ESTABLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY FOR THE ELECTRONIC COLLECTION OF TOLLS.

(2) THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR E-ZPASS ACCOUNTS SHALL ALLOW A PERSON TO DISPUTE ANY CHARGE OR FEE FOR THE USE OF A MARYLAND TOLL FACILITY WITHIN AT LEAST ~~3 YEARS~~ 1 YEAR AFTER THE CHARGE OR FEE IS POSTED TO THE PERSON’S E-ZPASS ACCOUNT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~October~~ June 1, 2022. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and 1 month and, at the end of June 30, 2023, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 29, 2022.