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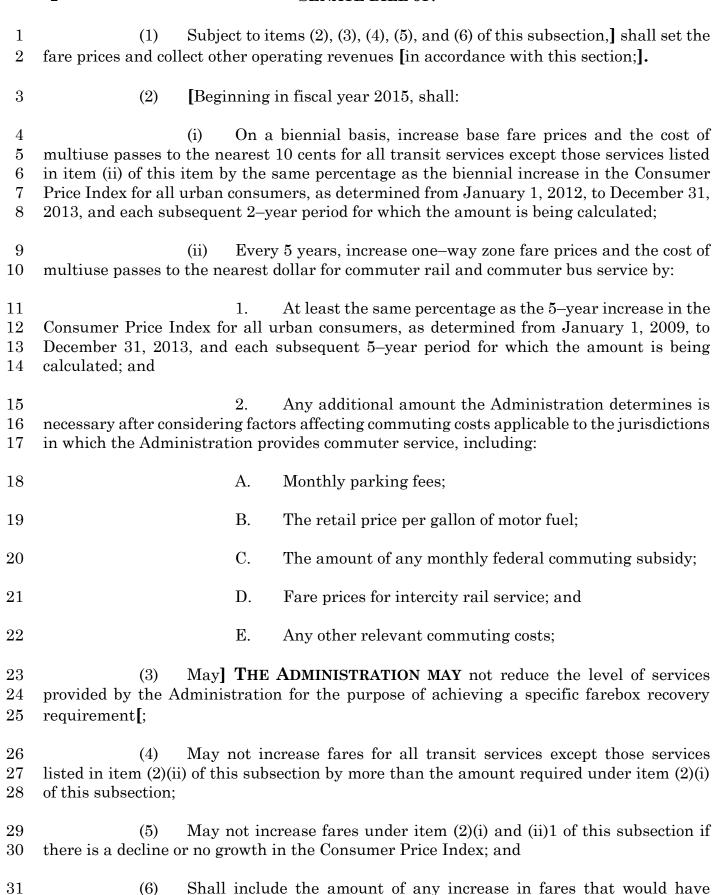
1 AN ACT concerning

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Maryland Transit Administration - Fare Price Requirements - Alterations

- 3 FOR the purpose of repealing certain requirements that the Maryland Transit
- 4 Administration increase fares for certain transit services in a certain manner;
- 5 repealing certain provisions prohibiting the Administration from increasing fares
- 6 under certain circumstances; and generally relating to fare prices for mass transit
- 7 services and the Maryland Transit Administration.
- 8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 9 Article Transportation
- 10 Section 7–208(b–1) and 7–506(a)(1)
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)
- 13 BY repealing
- 14 Article Transportation
- 15 Section 7–208(b–2)
- 16 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 17 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)
- 18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 20 Article Transportation
- 21 7–208.
- 22 (b-1) (1) Subject to § 7-506 of this title AND PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS
- 23 **SUBSECTION**, the Administration [:

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occurred previously in the absence of rounding to the nearest 10 cents or nearest dollar

1 when calculating fare increases for subsequent periods under item (2)(i) and (ii)1 of this 2 subsection]. 3 (b-2) An increase in the Administration's fare prices by the minimum amount 4 required under subsection (b-1) of this section is not subject to the requirements of § 7–506 of this title. 5 6 7-506.7 Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section [or § 7–208(b–2) of (a) (1) 8 this title, until a public hearing is held on the matter, the Administration may not: 9 (i) Fix or revise any fare or rate charged the general public; 10 (ii) Establish or abandon any bus or rail route listed on a published timetable; 11 12 Change a bus or rail route alignment listed on a published (iii) 13 timetable, unless the change is needed because of temporary construction or changes in the 14 road network; Reduce the frequency, number of days, or days of service for a 15 (iv) 16 commuter bus or commuter rail route without substituting a comparable level of service, unless the reduction is temporary or a result of: 17 1. A natural disaster; 18 19 2. Weather or other emergency conditions; 20 3. Schedule adjustments required by a third party that operates service on the same right-of-way; or 21224. beyond Other circumstances the control ofthe 23Administration; or 24Establish or abandon a rail transit station. (v)

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

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