

HOUSE BILL 1206

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By: **Montgomery County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2025

Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Montgomery County – Silver Spring Purple Line Construction Zone Parking**
3 **Improvement Grant Program**

4 **MC 16–25**

5 FOR the purpose of establishing the Silver Spring Purple Line Construction Zone Parking
6 Improvement Grant Program; requiring the Governor for certain fiscal years to
7 include an appropriation in the annual budget bill for the Grant Program; requiring
8 the Department of Transportation to distribute funds appropriated for the Grant
9 Program to Montgomery County; requiring Montgomery County to implement a
10 process to award grants to business associations to be used to improve parking in
11 Downtown Silver Spring; and generally relating to the Silver Spring Purple Line
12 Construction Zone Parking Improvement Grant Program.

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
14 That:

15 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

16 (2) “Grant Program” means the Silver Spring Purple Line Construction
17 Zone Parking Improvement Grant Program.

18 (3) “Purple Line” means the light rail transit line between Bethesda in
19 Montgomery County and New Carrollton in Prince George’s County.

20 (b) (1) There is a Silver Spring Purple Line Construction Zone Parking
21 Improvement Grant Program.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (2) The purpose of the Grant Program is provide to funds to business
2 associations to improve parking in Downtown Silver Spring necessitated by the
3 construction of the Purple Line.

4 (3) For fiscal years 2026 and 2027, the Governor shall include in the annual
5 budget bill an appropriation of at least \$50,000 to the Department of Transportation for
6 the Grant Program.

7 (c) (1) The Department of Transportation shall distribute funds appropriated
8 for the Grant Program to Montgomery County.

9 (2) Montgomery County shall implement a process to award grants to
10 business associations to be used to improve parking in Downtown Silver Spring.

11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
12 1, 2025. It shall remain effective for a period of 2 years and, at the end of June 30, 2027,
13 this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and
14 of no further force and effect.