Transit Authority, which was originally established by Chapter 160, Acts of 1969, succeeding a former Authority created by Chapter 670, Acts of 1961.

The Mass Transit Administration fleet, which numbers approximately 1,000 buses, travels in excess of 24 million miles a year throughout the metropolitan service area.

The Section A Baltimore Metro is the first segment of the regional rapid transit system to be implemented. Section A extends from Reisterstown Plaza to Charles Center (Code Transportation Article, secs. 7-101 through 7-706).

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The State Aviation Administration was created by Chapter 526, Acts of 1970, as a unit of the Department of Transportation, replacing the State Aviation Commission established by Chapter 318, Acts of 1929. It is responsible for developing and operating airports and for fostering and regulating aeronautical activity within the State. The Administrator is appointed by the Secretary of Transportation with the approval of the Governor and serves at the Secretary's pleasure.

By Chapter 180, Acts of 1972, the operation of Baltimore Washington International Airport, the State's major air carrier facility, was assigned to the State Aviation Administration. As authorized by this legislation, Baltimore Washington International Airport was purchased from Baltimore City by the State of Maryland on July 26, 1972, for \$36,000,000. The same Act abolished the Friendship International Airport Authority, originally created by Chapter 529, Acts of 1970. In 1973 Governor Mandel, by Executive Order, changed the Airport name from Friendship to Baltimore Washington.

The State Aviation Administration inspects and licenses commercial airports, air schools, and air school instructors for safe operation. It fosters safety in aviation through its publications—the newsletter, Flight Plan, a directory of Maryland airports, and a Maryland aeronautical chart—and through educational seminars for pilots and mechanics.

The Administration provides technical and financial assistance to airport sponsors and owners in the preparation of master plans and in improvements to facilities. Standardized runway markings are applied and maintained at airports throughout the State. A Maryland Aviation System Plan has been prepared in cooperation with the Planning and Development staff in the Secretary's Office and other State and local agencies (Code Transportation Article, secs. 5-101 through 5-1105).

The Administration also supervises the operation of the State-owned Glenn L. Martin Airport in Baltimore County.

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