

**WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA
TRANSIT COMMISSION**

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The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission was established in 1961 for the purpose of regulating transportation facilities in the District of Columbia metropolitan area. The Commission was created by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact which was drawn up between Maryland, the District of Columbia, and Virginia. Maryland ratified the Compact with the adoption of Chapter 613, Acts of 1959. The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit District, also created by the Compact, embraces the District of Columbia, the cities of Alexandria and Falls Church and Arlington and Fairfax Counties in Virginia, and Montgomery and Prince George's Counties in Maryland.

The Commission is composed of three members. One member is appointed by the Governor of Maryland, one by the Governor of Virginia, and one by the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia. Each Commissioner serves a term coincident with his term of office on the agency from which he is selected. Maryland is at present represented by the Chairman of the Public Service Commission. The Commission selects its own officers annually.

The Commission regulates and plans for mass transit in the District of Columbia metropolitan area. It has the power to prescribe fares, regulations and practices of transportation companies and taxicabs in the area.

Traffic and Highway Board

Members from Maryland

John B. Funk, Chairman-Director, Maryland State Roads Commission; Joseph C. Kordella, Director, Public Works, Montgomery County; George N. Lewis, Jr., Chief, Bureau of Traffic, Maryland State Roads Commission; Mason A. Butcher, County Manager, Montgomery County; Earl C. Williams, Chief, Traffic Engineering Division, Montgomery County Department of Public Works; William R. McCoy, Jr., Traffic Engineer, Prince George's County; Jesse Baggett, County Commissioner, Prince George's County.

The Traffic and Highway Board of the Commission was also established by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact to assist the Commission in the regulation and improvement of mass transit in the Washington Metropolitan area. The Board consists of the Chairman-Director of the State Roads Commission and the heads of traffic and highway departments of each of the representatives of the planning agencies.

Expenses of the Commission are allocated annually in proportion to the population of each signatory in the metropolitan area. Maryland's share is thirty-five percent (Code 1957, Art. 41, secs. 257-307).

Appropriations	1963	1964
General Funds	\$57,750	\$58,800