

On July 1, 1971, all power, authority, obligations, functions, duties, and discretion previously granted to the State Roads Commission relating to the financing, operation, maintenance, and repair of State highway toll revenue facilities were transferred to the Maryland Transportation Authority. The facilities included the Susquehanna River Bridge, the Potomac River Bridge (Governor Harry W. Nice Memorial Bridge), the Chesapeake Bay Bridge (Governor William Preston Lane, Jr., Memorial Bridge), the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel, the Baltimore Harbor Outer Crossing (Francis Scott Key Memorial Bridge), the John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway, and all other State highway toll revenue facilities financed by revenue bonds of the State Roads Commission (Code Transportation Article, secs. 4-201 through 4-404).

TRANSPORTATION PROFESSIONAL SERVICES SELECTION BOARD

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The Transportation Professional Services Selection Board was created by Chapter 732, Acts of 1974. On the basis of the competitive method, it recommends to the Board of Public Works from which firm the Department of Transportation should procure architectural or engineering services in cases when the compensation is over \$50,000. The actions of the Board are governed by the Maryland Procurement of Architectural and Engineering Services Act—Transportation Agencies (Code 1957, Art. 21, secs. 9-101 through 9-118) and the requirements of the State Procurement Regulations (COMAR 21.12.02).

STATE RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

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The Railroad Administration was formed in 1978 (Executive Order 01.01.1978.11). Its duties are to preserve and improve present railroad transportation facilities and services in Maryland

and, when possible, to plan for and provide new facilities and services.

The State Railroad Administration's contributions to the State's transportation system include: funding rehabilitation of freight lines in Western Maryland and on the Eastern Shore; acquisition in 1982 of 195 miles of rail lines, purchased with general obligation bonds authorized by the General Assembly; and supporting the operation of freight service on 161.7 miles of this trackage in Frederick and Carroll Counties and on the Eastern Shore. They also include administering operating subsidies for 24 commuter trains between Brunswick and Washington and between Baltimore and Washington, including two trains between Cecil County and Washington; implementing a \$16 million capital improvement program for the purchase of equipment and renovation of stations and parking areas on the Brunswick-Washington and Baltimore-Washington commuter lines operated by the B&O; and coordinating plans for improvements to railroad lines and services in the Baltimore region in cooperation with the federal Northeast Rail Corridor program. The State Railroad Administration works closely with other state agencies, local governments, and railroad transportation providers and users to enhance the role of railroads in economic and industrial development throughout the State. In addition, it monitors and reviews proposals for railroad freight service changes or abandonments that would affect local communities and shippers.

Brochures containing current fares and schedules for the commuter service may be obtained by calling 859-7345 or, from the Washington area, 261-1000 ext. 7345.

The SRA periodically issues the *State Rail Plan*, a comprehensive summary of its activities and objectives. A limited number of copies are available to the public and may be obtained by calling 859-7210.

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The Office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles was established by Chapter 207, Acts of 1910. The Legislature changed this title to the Department of Motor Vehicles by Chapter 1007, Acts of 1943. By Chapter 526, Acts of 1970, the Department was placed within the Maryland Department of Transportation and became the Motor Vehicle Administration (Code Transportation