

and personal property, buildings and improvements, self-propelled motor coaches, mass transportation vehicles for the transportation of passengers, accessory vehicles, materials, supplies, equipment and other real and personal property necessary, useful and suitable in the operation of a public transportation system.

(g) "Public transit system," "public transportation system," "transit system," "transportation system" mean and include public transportation facilities as herein described, together with all contractual rights, franchises, certificates of convenience and necessity, operating permits, and operating rights over streets.

(h) "Bonds" means any bonds, interim certificates, notes, debentures or other obligations of the Authority issued pursuant to this ~~article~~. SUBTITLE.

(i) "Bond resolution" means any resolution authorizing, ratifying or affecting any bonds, interim certificates, notes, debentures or other obligations of the Authority issued pursuant to this ~~article~~. SUBTITLE.

474C.

There is created a body corporate and politic known as the Salisbury Wicomico Transportation Authority which is a self-determining, regulatory instrument of and whose jurisdiction is geographically coterminous with the governing bodies of the City of Salisbury and Wicomico County.

474D.

This ~~article~~ SUBTITLE is not intended to apply to the following forms of transportation for hire: (a) transportation by water; (b) transportation by the federal government or State of Maryland; (c) transportation by motor vehicles employed ~~solely~~ MAINLY in transporting school children and teachers to and from public or private schools; (d) transportation performed in the course of operation over a regular route, the major portion of which is outside the County, except where a major portion of the passenger traffic begins and ends within the County; (e) transportation by taxicab, except when operated over regular routes and on regular schedules; (f) transportation by chartered coaches; ~~including those operated by mass transportation companies under the jurisdiction of the Authority;~~ (g) transportation performed by a common carrier by railroad subject to part I of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended, except when the operation or operations are conducted completely within the County; the inclusion of (f) above shall be construed to prohibit the ownership and operation by the Authority of chartered coaches if and when the Authority owns and operates a public transportation system pursuant to the provisions hereinafter set forth.

474E.

(a) The Authority consists of seven members, all residents of the County who shall be appointed jointly by the City and County. THEIR COUNTY WHO SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE COUNTY, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE CITY AND SUBJECT TO CONCURRENCE BY THE CITY. THEIR terms shall be for three years except that in the initial appointment the City and County