

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections ~~347-76(a), (b), (c), (f) and (g) of Article 44 Governor Executive and Administrative Departments, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)~~ 10-204 76(a), (b), (c), (f), and (g) of Article - Transportation, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (As enacted by Ch. 13 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1977) be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

~~Article 44 Governor Executive and
Administrative Departments~~

Article - Transportation

~~347-76~~ 10-204 76.

(a) The Authority is authorized to establish and maintain a regular police force, to be known as the metro transit police, to provide protection for its patrons, personnel, and transit facilities. The metro transit police shall have the powers and duties and shall be subject to the limitations set forth [herein] IN THIS SECTION. It shall be composed of both uniformed and plainclothes personnel and shall be charged with the duty of enforcing the laws of the signatories, and the laws, ordinances and regulations of the political subdivisions thereof [encompassed within] IN the transit zone, and the rules and regulations of the Authority. The jurisdiction of the metro transit police shall be limited to all the transit facilities owned, controlled or operated by the Authority, but this shall not limit the power of the metro transit police to make arrests in the transit zone for violations committed upon, to or against such transit facilities committed from within or outside such transit facilities while in hot or close pursuit, or to execute traffic citations and criminal process in accordance with subsection (c) below. The members of the metro transit police shall have concurrent jurisdiction in the performance of their duties with the duly constituted law-enforcement agencies of the signatories and of the political subdivisions thereof in which any transit facility of the Authority is located or in which the Authority operates any transit service. Nothing contained [herein] IN THIS SECTION shall either relieve any signatory or political subdivision or agency thereof from its duty to provide police, fire and other public safety service and protection, or limit, restrict or interfere with the jurisdiction of or the performance of duties by the existing police, fire and other public safety agencies.

(b) Except as otherwise provided [herein] IN THIS SECTION, a member of the metro transit police [has] SHALL HAVE the same powers, including the power of arrest, and [is] SHALL BE subject to the same limitations, including regulatory limitations, in the performance of his duties