

FOR the purpose of authorizing the transfer in Fiscal Year 1984 of a certain amount of funds from the Transportation Trust Fund to the general funds of this State in order that such amount of funds will be available for appropriation from the general funds in Fiscal Year 1984.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation
Section 3-216(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1977 Volume and 1982 Supplement)

Preamble

As a result of unfavorable economic conditions and the policies of the federal government, the revenues and other income usually available to the State for appropriation from the general funds of the State have been substantially reduced. Therefore, the location or creation of additional sources of revenue and income for the general funds of the State is necessary if State functions and services are not to be further reduced or eliminated.

A limited transfer of certain unpledged funds in the Transportation Trust Fund to the general funds of the State would enable the State to balance its budget for Fiscal Year 1984 and to maintain the adequacy of State functions and services. Despite the importance of maintaining the Transportation Trust Fund intact, such a limited transfer of funds from the Transportation Trust Fund is necessary in these extraordinary economic times. It is desirable to limit transfers of funds from the Transportation Trust Fund to transfers to be made in Fiscal Year 1984 only and to restore those transferred funds to the Transportation Trust Fund from future available general funds; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Transportation

3-216.

(f) No part of the Transportation Trust Fund may revert or be credited to the general funds of this State. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, FOR FISCAL YEAR 1984 ONLY, \$29,000,000 ~~25,600,000~~ 29,000,000 OF THE FUNDS IN THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND WHICH ARE NOT REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE COUNTIES OR BALTIMORE CITY AND WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE COMMITTED TO THE PAYMENT OF OR AS