

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

Article - Transportation

8-605.

(d) (1) For the purpose of providing information to the driving public on the availability of gas, food, lodging, or camping, the Administration may place along [those highways specified in subparagraph (2)] STATE HIGHWAYS specific information or business signs [as defined in], SUBJECT TO the applicable federal standards.

[(2) The program of specific information signs described in this subsection is applicable only for:

- (i) U.S. 48 in Allegany and Garrett counties;
- (ii) Interstate 95 (John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway) in Cecil and Harford counties;
- (iii) Interstate 70 in Frederick and Washington counties;
- (iv) Interstate 270 in Frederick County; and
- (v) Interstate 81 in Washington County.

(3) (1) (i) The Administration shall adopt rules and regulations governing specific information or business signs.

(ii) The rules and regulations shall conform to all applicable federal standards, and shall govern the type, lighting, size, number, and location of specific information or business signs.

(iii) The Administration shall consult with the Maryland Travel Council prior to drafting rules and regulations.

[(4)] (3) The business or attraction identified in a specific information or business sign shall pay for the full administrative and operational cost of procurement, installation, and maintenance of the sign.

[(5)] (4) [The provisions of this subsection shall terminate effective July 1, 1986.] The Department of Transportation shall report to the Governor and General Assembly by January, 1986 on the results of the program for specific information signs.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.