certain other moneys it receives from other sources; prohibiting a certain diversion of certain Federal funds provided to the State; requiring the Secretary to encourage counties to principally fund certain transportation service with certain moneys and to enter into certain cooperative agreements; providing that certain provisions do not prohibit a county from taking certain actions; providing for the termination of this Act after a certain date; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the funding and provision of certain services for elderly and handicapped persons.

## BY adding to

Article - Transportation
Section 2-103.3
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1977 Volume and 1984 Supplement)

÷).

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

## Article - Transportation

## 2-103.3.

- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
  - (2) "COUNTY" INCLUDES BALTIMORE CITY.
- (3) "ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED PERSON" MEANS ANY PERSON WHO, BY REASON OF ILLNESS, INJURY, AGE, CONGENITAL MALFUNCTION, OR OTHER PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY INCAPACITY OR DISABILITY, IS UNABLE TO USE MASS TRANSIT FACILITIES AND SERVICES AS EFFECTIVELY AS A PERSON WHO IS NOT SO AFFECTED.
- (4) "TRANSPORTATION SERVICE" MEANS ANY TRANSPORTATION OPTION OR MIX OF OPTIONS THAT MAY INCLUDE PARATRANSIT OR FIXED ROUTE SERVICE, ESTABLISHED OR EMPLOYED BY A COUNTY TO ACCOMMODATE THE TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OF ITS ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED RESIDENTS.
- (B) (1) THE SECRETARY SHALL SEPARATELY-IDENTIFY IDENTIFY SEPARATELY WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL BUDGET AN AMOUNT THAT THE SECRETARY DEEMS NECESSARY TO BE USED FOR ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED TRANSPORTATION SERVICE IN EACH COUNTY.
- (2) THE AMOUNT THE SECRETARY IDENTIFIES, OR SUCH OTHER AMOUNT AS MAY BE APPROPRIATED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE PROVISION OF ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED TRANSPORTATION SERVICE IN EACH COUNTY, SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (C) AND (B), AND (E) OF THIS SECTION.