

CHAPTER 397

(Senate Bill 1027)

AN ACT concerning

Mass Transit Administration - Fare Recovery
Ratio - Transit Services

FOR the purpose of requiring the Mass Transit Administration to recover from certain revenues at least a specific percentage of the total operating costs for mass transit bus and rail services under the Administration's jurisdiction; requiring the Administration to obtain a certain fare recovery ratio in a certain manner; and generally relating to the Mass Transit Administration and a fare recovery ratio.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation
Section 7-208(a)(2)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1977 Volume and 1985 Supplement)

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

Article - Transportation

7-208.

(a) (2) (i) For fiscal year [1983] ~~1987~~ YEARS 1988 THROUGH 1992 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Administration shall [establish in the Baltimore region bus transit fares at rates projected to] recover from [such] fares and other operating revenues at least 50 percent of the total operating costs for the mass transit bus AND RAIL services under its jurisdiction. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the provisions of this paragraph shall apply on a system wide basis and not on an individual [bus] transit line basis.

(ii) [The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to subway transit services until the General Assembly establishes a policy for transit fares applicable to the combined bus and subway system in the Baltimore region.]

(iii) The Secretary of Transportation shall submit a report to the General Assembly not later than January 1, 1984 with recommendations for the transit fare policy for the combined bus and subway system in the Baltimore region.]

THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL OBTAIN THE FARE RECOVERY RATIO THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF REASONABLE FARES IN THE BALTIMORE REGION AND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COST CONTAINMENT MEASURES AS