

compliance with the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act. This legislation sunsets June 30, 1999.

House Bill 746, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on this date, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 246.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 246

AN ACT concerning

Transportation Funding – Grants for Local Paratransit Service

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Transportation to provide annual grants to local jurisdictions for paratransit service that complements fixed route service in compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act; requiring the amount of the grants to be determined in accordance with certain paratransit plans and to fully cover the cost of providing paratransit services in compliance with the federal Act; altering the limitation on the total amount of the grants that may be provided statewide; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to grants for local paratransit services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 2-103.5

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1993 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

Article – Transportation

2-103.5.

(a) Subject to the appropriation requirements and budgetary provisions of § 3-216 of this article and upon receipt of an approval of a grant application in the form or detail that the Secretary reasonably requires, for Fiscal Year [1996] 1997 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, the Department shall provide grants for paratransit service provided by county or local governments, that is complementary to fixed route service as required under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

(b) The amount of the grants ~~SHALL~~:

(1) ~~[-Shall be-] BE~~ determined in accordance with multiyear paratransit plans approved by the Department or the Federal Transit Administration; and