

- (1) \$300,000 in funds from the Appalachian Regional Commission; and
- (2) \$200,000 from unused prior year general obligation bond authorizations; or
- (3) other matching funds upon notification of the budget committees of the source and amount of funds, or until the passage of 45 days from the date of notification.

~~Provided that \$500,000 of this appropriation, made for the purpose of a grant of ISTEA enhancement funds to the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority may not be expended until:~~

- ~~(1) The Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority has provided a report indicating that it has an equal and matching fund from non-state sources, and~~
- ~~(2) The budget committees have reviewed and commented upon the report or 45 days have elapsed from the date the report is received by the committees.~~

It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), in consultation with the Chief of Information Technology, shall examine the future funding of telecommuting pilot projects. It is recommended that the department consult with the federal General Services Administration to explore the possibility of joint development of regional telework centers funded with a combination of State, federal ISTEA, and any other federal or other monies. Moreover, a telecommuting program should be developed within the MDOT headquarters unit as part of the statewide implementation efforts as stipulated by Chapter 487 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1995. The department should submit a report to the budget committees on October 1, 1996, which summarizes telecommuting programs and lists any projects which are proposed for funding; the source and amount of funds for each project; and estimates the number of federal,