

REPRESENTATIVE WITH REGARD TO ANY CLAIM, DEMAND, SUIT, OR ANY OTHER LIABILITY THAT MAY ARISE OUT OF, OR BY REASON OF, ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPLYING WITH ANY OF THE AGENCY OR REPRESENTATION FEE PROVISIONS OF THE NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT.

(IV) THE EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION DESIGNATED AS THE EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATIVE SHALL SUBMIT TO THE BOARD AN ANNUAL AUDIT FROM AN EXTERNAL AUDITOR THAT REFLECTS THE OPERATIONAL EXPENSES OF THE EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION AND EXPLAINS HOW THE REPRESENTATION FEE IS CALCULATED BASED ON THE AUDIT.

(V) 1. THE AGENCY OR REPRESENTATION FEE SHALL BE BASED ONLY ON THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION IN ITS REPRESENTATION IN NEGOTIATIONS, CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING THE HANDLING OF GRIEVANCES, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES, AS REQUIRED UNDER THIS SECTION.

2. ANY POLITICAL ACTIVITIES OF THE EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION DESIGNATED AS THE EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATIVE MAY NOT BE FINANCED BY THE FUNDS COLLECTED FROM THE AGENCY OR REPRESENTATION FEE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1997.

Approved May 22, 1997.

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**CHAPTER 707**

**(House Bill 1016)**

AN ACT concerning

**Transportation – Privatization of Public Bus Transportation – Study and Report**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Transportation to study the feasibility of privatizing public bus transportation services and to report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by a certain date; requiring the Department to study and report on certain matters; providing for the effective date of this Act; providing for the abrogation of this Act; and generally relating to the privatization of public bus transportation.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 7-102.2

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1993 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)