

A. is exempt for federal income tax purposes under § 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code;

B. is funded to provide transportation to elderly, handicapped, or low income individuals;

C. receives part of its operating funding from the Maryland Department of Transportation or the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene;

D. has stated in its charter or bylaws that operating transportation services for elderly, handicapped, or low income individuals is one of the purposes for which it was established; and

E. is actively operating a system of transportation for elderly, handicapped, or low income individuals.

Chapter 176 of the Acts of 1995, as amended by Chapter 355 of the Acts of 1996

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1995. [Section 2 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of June 30, 1999, with no further action required by the General Assembly, Section 2 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

Chapter 355 of the Acts of 1996

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1996. [It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of June 30, 1999, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

Approved April 27, 1999.

CHAPTER 134

(Senate Bill 28)

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission - Gas Companies - Civil Penalties

FOR the purpose of ~~increasing~~ providing that the civil penalties that may be assessed against a gas company or gas master meter operator for violations of certain Public Service Commission safety standards and regulations may not exceed the injunctive and monetary sanctions provided under a certain federal act; and generally relating to the regulation of gas companies by the Public Service Commission.