accordance with the State Emergency Medical Services Plan for the transport of individuals in need of emergency or urgent care to limited services hospitals.

SECTION 2-3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

Approved May 27, 1999.

CHAPTER 679

(House Bill 996)

AN ACT concerning

State Highways - Expressway Designation Process and Regulation of Highway Access

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Highway Administration (SHA) to follow specified procedures when designating any part of a State highway as an expressway; requiring, as part of the expressway designation procedures, notice to certain local governments, an opportunity for certain local officials to meet and confer with representatives of SHA, a public informational meeting, and a public hearing; requiring that certain notices be published in a specified manner; providing that certain requirements of this Act may be satisfied in a certain alternative manner; prohibiting SHA from denying the owner of property abutting certain highways, within the boundaries of a municipal corporation, all access to the highway unless specified conditions are met; and generally relating to the designation of expressways by the SHA and access to State highways within the boundaries of a municipal corporation.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 8-101(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1993 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 8-620 and 8-625

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1993 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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