

section of this Act providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the funding of mass transit services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 7-208 and 10-207

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1993 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

**Article - Transportation**

7-208.

(a) [(1)] Subject to the authority of the Secretary and, where applicable, the Maryland Transportation Authority, the Administration has jurisdiction:

[(i)] (1) Consistent with the provisions of Division II of the State Finance and Procurement Article, for planning, developing, constructing, acquiring, financing, and operating the transit facilities authorized by this title; and

[(ii)] (2) Over the services performed by and the rentals, rates, fees, fares, and other charges imposed for the services performed by transit facilities owned or controlled by the Administration.

[(2) (i)] For fiscal years 1988 through 1992 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Administration shall recover from fares and other operating revenues at least 50 percent of the total operating costs for the mass transit bus and rail services under its jurisdiction. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the provisions of this paragraph shall apply on a system-wide basis and not on an individual transit line basis. However, given the anticipated efficiency of light rail technology, the Department is encouraged, after 2 years of light rail operation, to recover from fares and other operating revenues at least 60 percent of the total operating costs for light rail services.]

(B) (1) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001 AND THEREAFTER, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL RECOVER FROM FARES AND OTHER OPERATING REVENUES AT LEAST 40 PERCENT OF THE OPERATING COSTS FOR THE MASS TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION BUS, LIGHT RAIL, AND METRO SERVICES IN THE BALTIMORE REGION.

(2) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ESTABLISH A COST RECOVERY GOAL OF 50 PERCENT.

[(ii)](3) The Administration shall obtain the fare recovery ratio through the establishment of reasonable fares in the Baltimore region and the implementation of cost containment measures as deemed necessary to meet the standard required under this paragraph.

(C) (1) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001 AND THEREAFTER, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL IMPLEMENT ~~ADDITIONAL~~ PERFORMANCE INDICATORS, IN ADDITION TO THE