

fiscal year. Adjustments shall be made to increase or decrease the combined grants in the subsequent fiscal year to reflect the actual inflation rate.

(e) (1) The Department shall provide an annual capital grant to Prince George's County and Montgomery County for the purchase of buses to be used in eligible local bus service.

(2) Grants provided under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be in addition to any federal funds received by the State for bus services operated by Prince George's County and Montgomery County.

(F) (1) FOR FISCAL ~~YEARS~~ YEAR 2001 AND THEREAFTER, PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY AND MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHALL IMPLEMENT ~~ADDITIONAL~~ PERFORMANCE INDICATORS, IN ADDITION TO THE FAREBOX RECOVERY INDICATOR, TO TRACK SERVICE EFFICIENCY FOR MASS TRANSIT IN THEIR RESPECTIVE JURISDICTIONS, INCLUDING:

- (I) OPERATING EXPENSES PER VEHICLE MILE;
- (II) OPERATING EXPENSES PER PASSENGER TRIP; AND
- (III) PASSENGER TRIPS PER VEHICLE MILE.

(2) THE COUNTIES SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT TO THE SENATE BUDGET AND TAXATION COMMITTEE, HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE, AND HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE BY DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR ON:

- (I) THE STATUS OF THE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR;
- (II) THE STATUS OF ANY ~~MANAGING FOR RESULTS~~ PERFORMANCE GOALS OF THEIR JURISDICTIONS AS THEY PERTAIN TO MASS TRANSIT SERVICE; AND
- (III) COMPARISONS OF PERFORMANCE INDICATORS FOR MASS TRANSIT IN THEIR JURISDICTIONS AND OTHER SIMILAR SYSTEMS NATIONWIDE.

(G) (1) PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY AND MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHALL EACH PROVIDE FOR AN INDEPENDENT MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE OPERATIONAL COSTS AND REVENUES OF MASS TRANSIT IN THEIR RESPECTIVE JURISDICTIONS EVERY 4 YEARS.

(2) THE AUDIT SHALL PROVIDE DATA ON FARES, COST CONTAINMENT MEASURES, COMPARISONS WITH OTHER SIMILAR MASS TRANSIT SYSTEMS, AND OTHER INFORMATION NECESSARY IN EVALUATING THE OPERATIONS OF THEIR TRANSIT SYSTEMS.

(3) THE FINDINGS FROM THE AUDIT SHALL BE USED AS A BENCHMARK FOR THE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORTS.

(4) A PRELIMINARY BASELINE AUDIT SHALL BE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER 1, 2000, WITH A FINAL BASELINE AUDIT TO BE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER 1, 2001.