

Congress of the enactment of this Act; and that upon the concurrence in Congress, the Governor of the State of Maryland shall issue a proclamation declaring this Act valid and effective and shall forward a copy of the proclamation to the Director of the Department of Legislative Services.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.

Approved April 13, 2004.

CHAPTER 38
(House Bill 158)

AN ACT concerning

Education - Disabled Student Transportation Grant

FOR the purpose of altering the fiscal year used in the calculation for a certain grant for student transportation; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to education and the funding for disabled student transportation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Education

Section 5-205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

Article - Education

5-205.

(a) The State shall distribute grants as provided under this section to the county boards to provide transportation services for public school students and disabled children for whom transportation is to be provided under § 8-410 of this article. Appropriations for student transportation shall be budgeted in a separate budget category as provided in § 5-101 of this article. If the amount that is appropriated to a county under this section in a fiscal year is more than the actual cost of providing student transportation services in that county, a county board may apply any excess funds to costs of pupil transportation in subsequent years. None of these funds may be paid to or claimed by any subdivision, nor may any of these funds be reverted to any subdivision. A county board may not transfer State revenues from the student transportation category to any other category as a result of this section.