

(c) "Administrator" means the Mass Transit Administrator.

(d) "District" means the Metropolitan Transit District, consisting of Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Anne Arundel County, and other areas as designated by the Secretary after consultation and coordination with the affected jurisdiction and subject to the provisions of the Washington Metropolitan Transit Authority Compact.

(e) "Light rail transit" means rail transit which is electrically powered and can operate in mixed traffic with automobiles.

(f) "Private carrier" means any person that renders transit service within the District under an operating permit or license issued by an agency of this State exercising regulatory jurisdiction over transportation of passengers within this State and over persons engaged in that business.

(G) "PROOF OF FARE PAYMENT" MEANS EVIDENCE OF FARE PREPAYMENT AUTHORIZED BY THE ADMINISTRATION FOR THE USE OF TRANSIT SERVICE.

~~(g)~~ (H) "Transit facility" includes any one or more or combination of tracks, rights-of-way, bridges, tunnels, subways, rolling stock, stations, terminals, ports, parking areas, equipment, fixtures, buildings, structures, other real or personal property, and services incidental to or useful or designed for use in connection with the rendering of transit service by any means, including rail, bus, motor vehicle, or other mode of transportation.

~~(h)~~ (I) (1) "Transit service" means the transportation of persons and their packages and baggage and of newspapers, express, and mail in regular route, special, or charter service by means of transit facilities between points within the District.

(2) "Transit service" does not include any:

- (i) Taxicab service; or
- (ii) Vanpool operation.

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(J) "TRANSIT VEHICLE" MEANS A MOBILE DEVICE USED IN RENDERING TRANSIT SERVICE.

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(b) Except for water and sewer charges imposed by this State or any of its agencies or political subdivisions, the Administration, its activities, and the property it owns or controls are exempt from all taxes, assessments, and charges, whether State or local, now or subsequently levied or imposed.