

General Compact Provisions

Article I

There is created the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit District, referred to as the Metropolitan District, which shall include: the District of Columbia; the cities of Alexandria and Falls Church of the State of Virginia; Arlington County and Fairfax County of the State of Virginia, the political subdivisions located within those counties, and that portion of Loudoun County, Virginia, occupied by the Washington Dulles International Airport; Montgomery County and Prince George's County of the State of Maryland, and the political subdivisions located within those counties; and all other cities now or hereafter existing in Maryland or Virginia within the geographic area bounded by the outer boundaries of the combined area of those counties, cities, and airports.

Article II

1. The signatories hereby create the "Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission", hereafter called the "Commission", which shall be an instrumentality of the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the State of Maryland, and shall have the powers and duties set forth in the Compact and those additional powers and duties conferred upon it by subsequent action of the signatories.

2. The Commission shall have jurisdiction coextensive with the Metropolitan District for the regulation of passenger transportation within the Metropolitan District on a coordinated basis, without regard to political boundaries within the Metropolitan District, as set forth in this Compact.

Article III

1. (a) The Commission shall be composed of 3 members, one member appointed by the Governor of Virginia from the [State Corporation Commission] DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES of the Commonwealth of Virginia, one member appointed by the Governor of Maryland from the Maryland Public Service Commission, and one member appointed by the Mayor of the District of Columbia from the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not take effect until a similar Act is enacted by the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia; that the Commonwealth of Virginia and the District of Columbia are requested to concur in this Act of the General Assembly of Maryland by the enactment of a similar Act; that the Department of Legislative Services shall notify the appropriate officials of the Commonwealth of Virginia, the District of Columbia, and