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Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Transportation Authority – Audit Statements Available Online**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transportation Authority to make audit
4 statements publicly available on its Internet site, including audit statements
5 relating to each transportation facilities project throughout the entire existence
6 of each transportation facilities project; defining a certain term; and generally
7 relating to making audit statements of the Maryland Transportation Authority
8 available online.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Transportation
11 Section 4–101(a), (b), and (h)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

14 BY adding to
15 Article – Transportation
16 Section 4–211
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)

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

21 **Article – Transportation**

22 4–101.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

2 (b) “Authority” means the Maryland Transportation Authority.

3 (h) “Transportation facilities project” includes:

4 (1) The Susquehanna River Bridge, the Harry W. Nice Memorial
5 Potomac River Bridge, the William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial Chesapeake Bay
6 Bridge and parallel Chesapeake Bay Bridge, the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel, the Fort
7 McHenry Tunnel, the Francis Scott Key Bridge, and the John F. Kennedy Memorial
8 Highway, together with their appurtenant causeways, approaches, interchanges,
9 entrance plazas, toll stations, and service facilities;

10 (2) A vehicle parking facility located in a priority funding area as
11 defined in § 5-7B-02 of the State Finance and Procurement Article;

12 (3) Any other project for transportation facilities that the Authority
13 authorizes to be acquired or constructed; and

14 (4) Any additions, improvements, or enlargements to any of these
15 projects, whenever authorized.

16 **4-211.**

17 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “AUDIT STATEMENT” MEANS ANY DOCUMENT**
18 **CONTAINING A FORMAL EXAMINATION OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OR**
19 **FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE AUTHORITY OR OF ANY TRANSPORTATION**
20 **FACILITIES PROJECT.**

21 **(B) THE AUTHORITY SHALL MAKE AUDIT STATEMENTS PUBLICLY**
22 **AVAILABLE ON ITS INTERNET SITE, INCLUDING AUDIT STATEMENTS RELATING**
23 **TO EACH TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES PROJECT THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE**
24 **EXISTENCE OF EACH TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES PROJECT.**

25 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
26 June 1, 2012.