

SENATE BILL 505

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By: **Senator Kramer**

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Assigned to: Education, Energy, and the Environment

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Utilities – Transportation Network Service – Assessment Cap Increase**

3 FOR the purpose of increasing the cap on the assessment a county or municipal corporation
4 may impose on each transportation network service per trip; and generally relating
5 to assessments imposed on transportation network services.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article – Public Utilities
8 Section 10–406(a) and (b)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Public Utilities
13 Section 10–406(c)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

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

18 **Article – Public Utilities**

19 10–406.

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

21 (2) “Assessment” means a charge imposed by a local jurisdiction on each
22 transportation network service that includes a passenger trip during transportation
23 network coverage period three as described in § 10–101(n)(1)(iii) of this title.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (3) “Exempt jurisdiction” means a county or municipal corporation that
2 imposed a tax, fee, or charge on for-hire transportation services provided on a per ride or
3 per passenger basis in that county or municipal corporation on or before January 1, 2015.

4 (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, this section does
5 not limit the authority of an exempt jurisdiction to impose an assessment, a tax, a fee, or a
6 charge on for-hire transportation services, including transportation network services.

7 (2) An exempt jurisdiction may not impose more than one assessment or
8 similar charge on a transportation network service.

9 (c) (1) In accordance with subsections (d) and (e) of this section, a county or
10 municipal corporation may impose an assessment under this section.

11 (2) Except in an exempt jurisdiction, an assessment by a county or
12 municipal corporation authorized by this section may not exceed ~~[25]~~ **50** cents per trip.

13 (3) (i) Except as provided in subsection (e)(5) of this section, an
14 assessment may not be imposed on a transportation network service by both a county and
15 a municipal corporation.

16 (ii) If both a county and a municipal corporation impose an
17 assessment on a transportation network service in accordance with subsection (e)(5) of this
18 section, the sum of the assessments imposed by both jurisdictions may not exceed ~~[25]~~ **50**
19 cents per trip.

20 (4) The revenue generated from an assessment authorized under this
21 section shall be used for transportation purposes.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2024.