

Chapter 592

(House Bill 1362)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Use of Highway User Revenues for Traffic Functions and Enforcement – Modification

FOR the purpose of altering a certain limitation applicable to Baltimore City relating to the use of highway user revenues to pay or finance costs incurred for carrying out traffic functions and enforcing traffic laws; and generally relating to highway user revenues distributed to Baltimore City.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Transportation
Section 8–408(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

Article – Transportation

8–408.

(a) Highway user revenues distributed to Baltimore City and Kent County may be used only to pay or finance:

(1) Costs incurred in the construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of its highways and streets;

(2) **(I) [Costs] AS TO BALTIMORE CITY, COSTS** incurred [by its police department] for carrying out traffic functions and enforcing the traffic laws; **AND**

(II) AS TO KENT COUNTY, COSTS INCURRED BY ITS POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR CARRYING OUT TRAFFIC FUNCTIONS AND ENFORCING THE TRAFFIC LAWS;

(3) Costs incurred in its other highway related activities for:

(i) Lighting the highways;

(ii) Stormwater drainage of the highways; and

(iii) Street cleaning, but not including the cost of collection of garbage, trash, and refuse;

(4) The payment of its debt service on bonds or other evidences of obligation for:

(i) The construction, reconstruction, or maintenance of its highways and streets; and

(ii) Any other of its highway activities, including lighting the highways and providing stormwater drainage;

(5) The cost of transportation facilities, as defined in § 3–101 of this article; or

(6) As to Kent County:

(i) The cost of maintaining county owned boat landings; and

(ii) Costs incurred in providing traffic crossing guards.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022.

Enacted under Article II, § 17(c) of the Maryland Constitution, May 29, 2022.