



Baltimore Regional Transportation Board

2022 Legislative Session Update

Transportation Issues Briefing

February 22, 2022



Background

- These are the key transportation-related legislative issues as we see them.
- For more information about any of these bills, please visit <http://mgaleg.maryland.gov>
- This report reflects the status of bills as of February 18, 2022.

Key Dates – 2021 Legislative Session

- January 12 – Legislature Convenes
- February 7 & 11 – Senate & House Introduction Deadlines – (After which bills are referred directly to Rules Committee)
- March 7 & 11 – Final Date for Introduction of Bills without Suspension of the Rules in the Senate and House
- March 15 – Committee Reporting Courtesy Deadline – (bills should be moved by committees of origin)
- March 21 – Crossover Deadline – (Bills must be passed by chamber of origin. If not, then referred to Rules)
- April 4 – Budget Bill Passage Deadline
- April 11 – Sine Die – All bills must pass or die today.

2022 Transportation Legislation – Major Categories

Safety

Environment

Funding

Local

Transit

Bills of note

SAFETY

HB254/SB874 – Vision Zero Implementation Act of 2022

- Del. Palakovich Carr & Sen. Waldstreicher
- Requiring SHA to conduct infrastructure review of each bike-ped fatality occurring at a SHA intersection
- Referred to Committee

HB656/SB880 – Safe Access for All (SAFE) Roads Act of 2022

- Del. Charkoudian/Sen. Waldstreicher
- Requiring MDOT to recommend and implement design elements for bike/ped safety in certain projects...
- House - Referred to Committee/Sen. Hearing 3/9

ENVIRONMENT

HB10/SB61 MTA – Conversion to Zero Emission Buses

- Del. Korman/Sen. Zucker
- Requiring MTA to provide workforce training for the safe repair and maintenance of electric fleet vehicles.
- Referred to Committee

HB894 – Transportation Electrification & Modernization (TEAM) Act

- ADMINISTRATION BILL
- Extending the duration of the Electric Vehicle Recharging Equipment Rebate Program and limiting amount of rebates to businesses and households.
- Hearing 2/25

HB1391 – Clean Cars Act of 2022

- Del. Fraser-Hidalgo
- Extending the vehicle excise tax credit for the purchase of certain vehicles.
- First reading House Rules & Executive Nominations

FUNDING – HIGHWAY USER REVENUE

HB410/SB400 – Transportation – Highway User Revenue - Distribution

- ADMINISTRATION BILL
- Altering, beginning in 2025, amounts of certain HUR grants appropriated to jurisdictions each year.
- House Hearing 3/10 – Senate Hearing 2/9

HB1187/SB726 – Highway User Revenues – Revenue and Distribution

- Del. Anderton/Sen. McCray
- Altering, beginning in 2020, the amounts of capital grants required to be appropriated to jurisdictions.
- House Hearing 3/10 - Senate Hearing 3/9

HB1362 – Baltimore City – Use of HUR for Traffic Functions & Enforcement - Modification

- Del. Prettyman/Sen. McCray (Request of Baltimore City)
- Altering certain limitation applicable to Baltimore City related to the use of HUR to pay or finance costs related to traffic functions and enforcement.
- First reading House - Sen. Hearing 3/9

FUNDING – MDOT and CTP

SB187 – DOT – Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle Bonds

- ADMINISTRATION BILL
- Repealing a requirement that the Capital Debt Affordability Committee include certain debt secured by federal aid.
- Senate Hearing 1/19

HB0891 – MDOT & Spending Affordability Committee - Reports

- Del. McIntosh/Sen. Guzzone
- Requiring MDOT, on submission of budget bill, to provide certain legislative committees a report on the cost of certain projects and to include certain information in the CTP.
- House Hearing 3/1 - Senate Hearing 3/2

HB1322 – Operating Budget – CTP and Unanticipated Federal Funds

- Del. McIntosh/No Crossfile yet.
- Requiring the financial forecast that supports the CTP to include \$35M for certain changes in revenue, prohibiting certain expenditure of federal funds in FY22 unless money is used for certain purposes.
- House hearing 3/8

LOCAL BILLS

HB73 – Complete Streets & Safe Routes to School Programs - Funding

- Del. Lewis
- Requiring Baltimore City to spend balance of fines collected from traffic monitoring systems on SHA Safe Routes to School Program or Complete Streets Program
- Hearing 3/10

HB632 – East West Corridor Transit Study Requirements

- Del. Rosenberg
- Requiring MDOT to promptly undertake steps necessary to complete design, engineering and NEPA to secure a record of decision for the Red Line
- House Hearing 2/22

HB1056/SB862 – Baltimore City – MTA – Transit Services for Public School Students

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- House hearing 3/8 – Senate Hearing 3/10

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MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

HB438/SB463 – WMATA Dedicated Funding Amendment Act of 2022

- Del. Korman/Sen. Feldman
- Requiring the appropriation in the annual budget for WAMATA to equal FY22 and be increased by 3% each year
- House Hearing 2/15 - Senate Hearing 2/16

HB778/SB514 – Maryland Regional Rail Transformation Act

- Del. Solomon/Sen. Beidle
- Requiring MTA to establish investment programs for enhancing certain MARC Lines.
- House Hearing 2/17 – Senate Hearing 2/16

HB1336 – Greater Baltimore Transit Governance and Funding Commission

- Del. Bridges
- Establishing the Greater Baltimore Transit Governance & Funding Commission.
- House hearing 3/10

OTHER BILLS OF NOTE

HB326/SB359 State Finance – Prohibited Appropriations – MAGLEV

- Del. Williams/Sen. Pinsky
- Prohibiting the State and certain units of the state from using any appropriation for MAGLEV in the state.
- House Hearing 2/17 - Senate Hearing 2/9

HB710/SB516 Equitable & Inclusive TOD Enhancement Act

- Del. Lewis/Sen. Augustine
- Altering the More Jobs for Marylanders Program to allow certain businesses located in certain TOD developments to qualify for benefits. Establishing a TOD capital grant and revolving loan fund.
- House Hearing 2/17 – Senate Hearing 2/16

HB1324 – Maryland Rail Investment Act of 2022

- Del. Korman
- Establishing the MD Rail Authority; adding ED of the Rail Authority as an ex officio member of MdTA
- House hearing 3/8

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