

## A House Joint Resolution concerning

## Mass Transit Buses - Baltimore Harbor Tunnel

FOR the purpose of requesting the Mass Transit Administration to [[establish]] study the feasibility of establishing bus routes through the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel in order to link the southern and eastern portions of the Baltimore metropolitan area with mass transit facilities.

WHEREAS, Thousands of Baltimore area residents daily undergo the ritualistic ordeal of commuting to and from work between the southern and eastern portions of the metropolitan Baltimore area by inching their way through the approaches to the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel and sitting out seemingly endless and frustrating traffic jams; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the burden of traffic congestion, the Tunnel commuters must also bear the ills of air pollution caused by the noxious emissions of their own automobile; and

WHEREAS, If the logical and reasonable alternative of mass transit through the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel would be made available to the commuters who must get back and forth between south and east Baltimore every day through that route, it is safe to assume that many people would avail themselves of this alternative, and, in turn, the traffic problems and air pollution would diminish significantly, much to the benefit of all; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Mass Transit Administration [[establish, as soon as possible,]] study the feasibility of establishing effective and suitable mass transit bus routes through the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel in order to link the southern and eastern portions of the Baltimore Metropolitan Area; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Mass Transit Administration, through the State Department of Transportation, report to the General Assembly on the [[progress of implementation]] results of the feasibility study of such bus routes by September 1, 1974; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the State of Maryland forward copies of this Resolution to the Secretary of the Department of Transportation, Harry R. Hughes; and the Administration of the Mass Transit Administration, 1515 Washington Boulevard, Baltimore, Md. 21202.