

(2) solicit the advice of the Advisory Council before major project decisions are made; and

(3) at the conclusion of the planning phase of the Red Line and at the commencement of passenger service, prepare a report, in consultation with the Advisory Council, that evaluates:

(i) the Advisory Council as a best practice strategy for incorporating community participation in major transportation planning projects;

(ii) whether it is advisable for a similar advisory council to be incorporated into major planning projects undertaken by the Administration throughout the State; and

(iii) if it is advisable, how incorporation of an advisory council into major planning projects can best be accomplished.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2006.

Enacted June 14, 2006.

CHAPTER 3

(House Bill 1309 of the 2006 Regular Session)

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore Corridor Transit Study – Red Line – Requirements and Citizens’ Advisory Council

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transit Administration, in conducting the Baltimore Corridor Transit Study – Red Line, to consider the establishment of a certain fund to compensate certain property owners for damages incurred during the construction of any Red Line transit project; requiring the Administration to consider the redevelopment of certain commercial areas in conjunction with any Red Line transit study; requiring the Administration to consult with certain state agencies, the City of Baltimore, certain communities, and the property owners and business owners surrounding the Baltimore Corridor Transit Study – Red Line area; ~~requiring the Administration to evaluate alternatives, alignments, and transit modes in terms of addressing the transit needs within a certain area; requiring the Administration to establish a certain advisory committee; providing for the membership of the advisory committee; requiring the Administration to submit a certain report to the General Assembly by a certain date; requiring the Administration to consider methods for providing preference in hiring for certain construction jobs for construction of any Red Line transit project to residents of certain legislative districts surrounding the Red Line transit project to certain individuals; establishing a Citizens’ Advisory Council for the Baltimore Corridor Transit Study – Red Line; providing for the membership of the Advisory Council;~~