

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 186

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Rules on February 10, 1998)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Mims)

Establishing a joint subcommittee to study short-term and intermediate-term mass transit solutions in the Dulles Toll Road/Dulles Greenway Corridor.

WHEREAS, growth in population, business activity, and motor vehicle traffic within and through the Dulles Toll Road/Dulles Greenway Corridor continues at a considerable and ever-accelerating pace; and

WHEREAS, continued robust growth threatens the viability of the Corridor as increasing traffic congestion makes movement of people and goods increasingly difficult and time-consuming; and

WHEREAS, one means of reducing congestion within the Corridor lies in providing increased mass transit within and through it; and

WHEREAS, in the long term, rail systems may offer the optimum solution to the Corridor's mass transit needs; and

WHEREAS, until rail-based mass transit can be provided, buses and other nonfixed-guideway forms of mass transit may offer the best short-term and intermediate-term solutions to the mass transit needs of the Dulles Toll Road/Dulles Greenway Corridor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That a joint subcommittee be established to study short-term and intermediate-term mass transit solutions in the Dulles Toll Road/Dulles Greenway Corridor. The joint subcommittee shall be composed of 11 members as follows: two members of the Senate, to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections; three members of the House of Delegates, to be appointed by the Speaker according to Rule 16. B. of the House Rules; one member to be nominated by the Secretary of Transportation and one member to be nominated by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, both to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections; and one member to be nominated by the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors, one member to be nominated by Congressman Frank R. Wolf, one representative of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, and one representative of the Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority, all to be appointed by the Speaker of the House. The chairman of the joint subcommittee shall be selected by the subcommittee and shall be a member of the General Assembly.

In conducting its study, the joint subcommittee shall study existing forms of mass transit serving the Dulles Toll Road/Dulles Greenway Corridor and consider what short-term and intermediate-term solutions to the mass transit needs of the Corridor are desirable and feasible until such time as rail-based mass transit service can be provided.

The direct costs of this study shall not exceed \$ 6,750.

The Division of Legislative Services shall provide staff support for the study. All agencies of the Commonwealth shall provide assistance to the joint subcommittee, upon request.

The joint subcommittee shall complete its work in time to submit its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the 1999 Session of the General Assembly as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents.

Implementation of this resolution is subject to subsequent approval and certification by the Joint Rules Committee. The Committee may withhold expenditures or delay the period for the conduct of the study.