

SJRES 22

A joint resolution granting the consent and approval of Congress to the Commonwealth of Virginia, the State of Maryland, and the District of Columbia to enter into a compact relating to the establishment of the Washington Metrorail Safety Commission.

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Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kaine, Tim [D-VA]

Party: Democratic • **State:** VA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (3 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Feb 15, 2017
Sen. Van Hollen, Chris [D-MD]	D · MD		Feb 15, 2017
Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Feb 15, 2017

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Discharged From	May 16, 2017

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HJRES 76	Related bill	Aug 22, 2017: Became Public Law No: 115-54.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Interstate Compact

This joint resolution grants congressional consent and approval for the Commonwealth of Virginia, the state of Maryland, and the District of Columbia to enter into a Metrorail Safety Commission (MSC) Interstate Compact.

The MSC Compact establishes a Washington Metrorail Safety Commission for the safety oversight of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) Rail (Metrorail) system.

The commission shall:

- distribute a written State Safety Oversight Program;
- enforce implementation of WMATA's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan, as well as audit triennially WMATA's compliance with such plan;
- enforce implementation of any Corrective Action Plans;
- enforce relevant federal and state laws and regulations relating to Metrorail safety;
- publish annually a Metrorail safety report, including updates of Corrective Action Plans, Commission directives, and on-going investigations; and
- publish annually a report on commission operations.

An independent annual audit shall be made of commission financial accounts.

Any signatory may withdraw from the MSC Compact, which shall constitute its termination.

Actions Timeline

- **May 17, 2017:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **May 17, 2017:** Received in the House.
- **May 17, 2017:** Held at the desk.
- **May 16, 2017:** Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S2955-2959)
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- **May 16, 2017:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S2956-2959)
- **May 16, 2017:** Passed Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S2956-2959)
- **Feb 15, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 15, 2017:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (Sponsor introductory remarks on measure: CR S1220)