

The Commission has six members: three from Montgomery County; three from Prince George's County. Each county's members are named to four-year terms by the County Executive with County Council consent. The Commission's annual budget is subject to joint approval by the governing bodies of the two counties (Code 1957, Art. 29).

**WASHINGTON SUBURBAN
TRANSIT COMMISSION**

Chair: Carleton R. Sickles, Montgomery County

Appointed by Governor with Senate advice & consent:
Cleatus E. Barnett, 1998; F. Kirwan Wineland, 1998.

Appointed by Montgomery County Executive:
Graham J. Norton; Carlton R. Sickles.

Appointed by Prince George's County Executive:
John P. Davey; one vacancy.

Ex officio: Thomas A. Donahue, designee of
Secretary of Transportation

Louis W. Farber, *Executive Secretary-Treasurer*

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The Washington Suburban Transit Commission was created in 1965 (Chapter 870, Acts of 1965). The Commission administers the Washington Suburban Transit District and has powers to develop, on a bi-county basis, a transportation system, including mass transit facilities, for Montgomery and Prince George's counties.

The Commission acts as the financial conduit for funding of mass transportation projects within Montgomery and Prince George's counties. It coordinates mass transit programs with the two county governments, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, and the Maryland Department of Transportation.

The Commission consists of seven members appointed to three-year terms. Two are chosen by the Montgomery County Executive, and two by the Prince George's County Executive. With Senate advice and consent, the Governor appoints one member from Montgomery County and one from Prince George's County. One member serves *ex officio*. The position of chair alternates annually between Montgomery and Prince George's counties.