CAMBRIDGE MATTERS

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Here is an email from Senator Madaleno regarding the Highway User Revenue (HUR) issue. I received this as a result of my being on the Legislative Committee (along with our Mayor) of the Maryland Municipal League.

The attached legislation provides information on how the increase in revenues to communities will take place and for how long. The HUR Distribution list provides information on what money will be going where in FY 2020.

Cambridge has available $500,000 for streets -$250,000 for FY 2018 and (if the City Budget is passed) $250,000 for FY 2019. This coupled with the recent survey done on the condition of our streets and how to repair them more effectively will, I hope, be a big step forward in improving more of our streets in the coming years.

The increase, while not back to the level before 2008, is for 5 years in order to give the state additional time to work toward a more permanent solution.

Steve