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SUBJECT:	SB 2533
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Senate Bill 2533 amends current law to specify that the Transportation Commission has the authority to spend money for promotional materials for safety purposes, highway beautification and recruitment purposes.

According to MDOT comments in the Senate Transportation Committee meeting, MDOT needs this authority to be able to purchase pens, key rings, brochures and other promotional items to use when they go out to recruitment sites, i.e., college campuses, job fairs, etc. They don't have the authority to purchase such promotional materials at this time and they say that it hurts their recruitment efforts, especially in the area of recruiting engineers.

The bill passed through committee and both chambers without any amendments.

SB 2533 is effective July 1, 2003.

Sign it.