

# HOUSE BILL 1005

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By: **Prince George's County Delegation**  
Introduced and read first time: February 11, 2011  
Assigned to: Economic Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Utility Companies – University of Maryland, College Park Bus Service**  
3 **– Motor Carrier Permit Exemption – Removal of Sunset**

4 **PG 403–11**

5 FOR the purpose of providing that a motor carrier permit is not required for a shuttle  
6 bus service operated by the University of Maryland, College Park for its  
7 students that is also used to provide, in exchange for payment by the municipal  
8 corporation in which the University of Maryland, College Park operates shuttle  
9 bus service, transportation service to the residents of the municipal corporation;  
10 removing the termination provision applicable to a certain motor carrier permit  
11 exemption relating to bus service provided by the University of Maryland,  
12 College Park; and generally relating to bus service provided by the University of  
13 Maryland, College Park to its students and to the residents of a certain  
14 municipal corporation.

15 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
16 Article – Public Utilities  
17 Section 9–201  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 (2010 Replacement Volume)

20 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
21 Chapter 346 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008  
22 Section 3

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24 Chapter 347 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008  
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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
2 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

3 **Article – Public Utilities**

4 9–201.

5 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a motor carrier permit  
6 is required for a passenger motor vehicle used in the transportation of persons for hire.

7 (b) A motor carrier permit is not required for:

8 (1) a motor vehicle used exclusively for the transportation of pupils to  
9 and from public or private schools;

10 (2) a motor vehicle operated for a period of not more than 3 months in  
11 any registration year in the transportation of persons employed at a cannery located in  
12 a county;

13 (3) taxicabs;

14 (4) public transportation for hire authorized to operate on the  
15 boardwalk in Ocean City;

16 (5) a vanpool operation as defined in § 11–175.1 of the Transportation  
17 Article;

18 (6) the public transportation system for Washington County  
19 established under § 1–603 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Washington County,  
20 Article 22 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland;

21 (7) the public transportation system for Allegany County established  
22 under § 23–24 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Allegany County, Article 1 of the  
23 Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland;

24 (8) the public transportation system for Frederick County established  
25 by the Board of County Commissioners for Frederick County; or

26 (9) shuttle bus service operated by the University of Maryland,  
27 College Park for students enrolled at the University of Maryland, College Park and, in  
28 exchange for payment by [the] A municipal corporation in which the University of  
29 Maryland, College Park [is located] **OPERATES SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE**,  
30 transportation service on the shuttle bus to residents of the municipal corporation.

31 (c) The public duties of a common carrier may not be imposed on a person  
32 with respect to a vehicle for which a motor carrier permit is required under this  
33 section, if the vehicle is not actually engaged in public transportation.

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**Chapter 346 of the Acts of 2008**

2 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
3 July 1, 2008. [It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of June  
4 30, 2011, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be  
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11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
12 June 1, 2011.