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§10–206.1.

(a) The Maryland Transit Administration shall ensure that transit service provided in the State in accordance with this subtitle meets the special needs of disabled persons.

(b) When providing transit service to meet the special needs of disabled persons, the Maryland Transit Administration shall:

(1) Apply to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, in accordance with subsection (c) of this section, for State and national criminal history records checks of the Maryland Transit Administration’s employees who are or will be employed to provide transit service to disabled persons;

(2) Ensure that any entity that contracts with the Maryland Transit Administration to provide transit service to disabled persons applies to the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, in accordance with subsection (c) of this section, for State and national criminal history records checks of the contractor’s employees who provide transit service to disabled persons; and

(3) Ensure that all employees of the Maryland Transit Administration or a contractor of the Administration who are or will be employed to provide transit service to disabled persons successfully complete a course, jointly developed by the State Department of Education and the Department of Disabilities and approved by the Maryland Transit Administration, on matters relating to appropriate accommodation, including customer service, sensitivity, and respectful and courteous treatment of all passengers, including disabled persons.

(c) (1) In this subsection, “Central Repository” has the meaning stated in § 10–201 of the Criminal Procedure Article.

(2) The Maryland Transit Administration or contractor shall apply to the Central Repository for a State and national criminal history records check for each employee subject to this subsection.

(3) As part of the application for a criminal history records check, the Maryland Transit Administration or contractor shall submit to the Central Repository:

(i) Two complete sets of the employee’s legible fingerprints taken on forms approved by the Director of the Central Repository and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation;

(ii) The fee authorized under § 10–221(b)(7) of the Criminal

Procedure Article for access to Maryland criminal history records; and

(iii) The mandatory processing fee required by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history records check.

(4) In accordance with Title 10, Subtitle 2 of the Criminal Procedure Article, the Central Repository shall forward to the employee and the Maryland Transit Administration or contractor a printed statement of the employee's criminal history record information.

(5) Information obtained from the Central Repository under this subsection shall be:

- (i) Confidential and may not be disseminated; and
- (ii) Used only for the purpose authorized by this subsection.

(6) The subject of a criminal history records check under this subsection may contest the contents of the printed statement issued by the Central Repository as provided in § 10–223 of the Criminal Procedure Article.

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