

SENATE BILL 504

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By: **Senator Rosapepe**
Introduced and read first time: February 4, 2011
Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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

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 also is 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 to the residents of the municipal corporation;
10 removing the sunset applicable to a certain motor carrier permit exemption
11 relating to bus service provided by the University of Maryland, College Park;
12 altering certain provisions of law relating to the geographic area in which the
13 University of Maryland, College Park may provide certain bus service and the
14 persons eligible to use the bus service; and generally relating to bus service
15 provided by the University of Maryland, College Park to its students and to the
16 residents of certain municipal corporations.

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
18 Article – Public Utilities
19 Section 9–201
20 Annotated Code of Maryland
21 (2010 Replacement Volume)

22 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
23 Chapter 346 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008
24 Section 2

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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

9 **Article – Public Utilities**

10 9–201.

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

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

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

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

19 (3) taxicabs;

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

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

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

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

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

32 (9) shuttle bus service operated by the University of Maryland,
33 College Park for students enrolled at the University of Maryland, College Park and, in

1 exchange for payment by [the] A municipal corporation in which the University of
2 Maryland, College Park [is located] **OPERATES SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE**,
3 transportation service on the shuttle bus to residents of the municipal corporation.

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

7 **Chapter 346 of the Acts of 2008**

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before December
9 31, 2010, the Department of Transportation Services in the University of Maryland,
10 College Park shall report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government
11 Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee
12 on the implementation of a transportation services program with the City of College
13 Park for the residents of the City of College Park.

14 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
15 July 1, 2008. [It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of June
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