SENATE BILL 862

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR McCRAY

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this _______ day of ____________ at __________________ o’clock, ______M.

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President.

CHAPTER ______

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City – Maryland Transit Administration – Transit Services for Public School Students and Youth Workers

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to provide certain services to certain students of the Baltimore City Public School System and youth workers in the Baltimore City YouthWorks program; prohibiting the Maryland Transit Administration from seeking certain fees or reimbursement; and generally relating to the Maryland Transit Administration and free ridership for Baltimore City Public School System students and youth workers.

BY adding to

Article – Transportation

Section 7–710

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.
Underlining indicates amendments to bill.
Strike-out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.
Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Transportation

7–710.

(A) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL PROVIDE RIDERSHIP ON TRANSIT VEHICLES TO ANY ELIGIBLE STUDENT:

(1) STUDENT OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL OF BALTIMORE CITY; AND

(2) YOUTH WORKER IN THE BALTIMORE CITY YOUTHWORKS PROGRAM.

(B) THE SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE PROVIDED ONLY FOR:

(1) A STUDENT OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL IN BALTIMORE CITY:

(1) BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 5 A.M. AND 8 P.M.; AND

(2) (II) FOR SCHOOL–RELATED OR EDUCATIONAL EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES ON AND OFF CAMPUS; OR

(2) A YOUTH WORKER IN THE BALTIMORE CITY YOUTHWORKS PROGRAM:

(1) DURING THE YOUTHWORKS SUMMER JOB PERIOD; AND

(II) FOR PURPOSES OF ENGAGING IN YOUTHWORKS–RELATED ACTIVITIES.

(C) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY NOT COLLECT FEES OR REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION.

(D) THE ADMINISTRATION, IN CONJUNCTION WITH BALTIMORE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND THE MAYOR’S OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT, SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT ESTABLISH THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR STUDENTS AND YOUTH WORKERS RECEIVING A STUDENT SMART CARD TRANSIT PASS FOR THE USE OF SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2022. It shall remain effective for a period of 5 years and, at the end of June 30, 2027,
this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.