

SENATE BILL 862

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By: **Senator McCray**

Introduced and read first time: February 7, 2022

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Baltimore City – Maryland Transit Administration – Transit Services for Public**
3 **School Students**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to provide certain
5 services to certain students of the Baltimore City Public School System; prohibiting
6 the Maryland Transit Administration from seeking certain fees or reimbursement;
7 and generally relating to the Maryland Transit Administration and free ridership
8 for Baltimore City Public School System students.

9 BY adding to

10 Article – Transportation

11 Section 7–710

12 Annotated Code of Maryland

13 (2020 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Transportation**

17 **7–710.**

18 **(A) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL PROVIDE RIDERSHIP ON TRANSIT**
19 **VEHICLES TO ANY ELIGIBLE STUDENT OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL OF BALTIMORE CITY.**

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

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(2) FOR SCHOOL-RELATED OR EDUCATIONAL EXTRACURRICULAR**
2 **ACTIVITIES ON AND OFF CAMPUS.**

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

5 **(D) THE ADMINISTRATION, IN CONJUNCTION WITH BALTIMORE CITY**
6 **PUBLIC SCHOOLS, SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT ESTABLISH THE ELIGIBILITY**
7 **CRITERIA FOR STUDENTS RECEIVING A STUDENT SMART CARD FOR THE USE OF**
8 **SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION.**

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
10 1, 2022. It shall remain effective for a period of 5 years and, at the end of June 30, 2027,
11 this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated and
12 of no further force and effect.