

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. COLTON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to free bus fare for students on the Metropolitan Transportation Authority omnibus service

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 1266 of the public authorities law is amended by  
2 adding a new subdivision 20 to read as follows:

3 20. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the authority and any  
4 of its subsidiary corporations shall establish and implement a free bus  
5 fare program for all full-time undergraduate students enrolled in an  
6 associates or bachelors program at an accredited college. The free bus  
7 fare program established and implemented pursuant to this subdivision  
8 shall be in operation during all hours in which such authority provides  
9 omnibus services, and such program shall not be limited in operation to  
10 off-peak hours or to any other hours designated by the authority or its  
11 subsidiary corporations. The chairman shall establish and implement all  
12 rules and regulations necessary to effectuate this subdivision.

13 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-  
14 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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