

STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

December 19, 2025

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 high school 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 high school students enrolled in an accredited
6 public or non-public high school in the city of New York. The free bus
7 fare program established and implemented pursuant to this subdivision
8 shall be in operation during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily
9 during which such authority provides omnibus services, and such program
10 shall not be limited in operation to off-peak hours or to any other
11 hours designated by the authority or its subsidiary corporations. The
12 chair shall establish and implement all rules and regulations necessary
13 to effectuate this subdivision.

14 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-
15 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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