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AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to jurisdiction over violations occurring on metropolitan transportation authority omnibuses by the transit adjudication bureau of the New York city transit authority

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Subdivision 3 of section 1209-a of the public authorities law, as amended by chapter 379 of the laws of 1992, is amended to read as follows:
- 3. Jurisdiction. The bureau shall have, with respect to acts or incidents in or on the transit facilities of the authority committed by or involving persons who are sixteen years of age or over, OR WITH RESPECT 6 7 TO ACTS OR INCIDENTS OCCURRING ON OMNIBUSES OWNED OR OPERATED BY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OR A SUBSIDIARY THEREOF, and with 8 9 respect to violation of toll collection regulations of the triborough bridge and tunnel authority as described in section [two thousand nine] 10 TWENTY-NINE hundred eighty-five of this chapter, non-exclusive jurisdic-11 tion over violations of: (a) the rules which may from time to time 12 established by the authority under subdivision five-a of section twelve 13 hundred four of this chapter; (b) article one hundred thirty-nine of the 14 15 health code of the city of New York, as it may be amended from time to time, relating to public transportation facilities; [and] (c) article 17 four of the noise control code of the city of New York, as it may be amended from time to time, insofar as it pertains to sound reproduction 18

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

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devices; [and] (d) the rules and regulations which may from time to time be established by the triborough bridge and tunnel authority in accordwith the provisions of section [two thousand nine] TWENTY-NINE hundred eighty-five of this chapter; AND (E) RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH FROM TIME TO TIME BE ESTABLISHED BY THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OR A SUBSIDIARY THEREOF IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS SECTION TWELVE HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX OF THIS CHAPTER. Matters within the jurisdiction of the bureau except violations of the rules and regulations of the triborough bridge and tunnel authority shall be known for purposes of this section as transit infractions. Nothing herein shall be construed to divest jurisdiction from any court now having jurisdiction over any criminal charge or traffic infraction relating to any act committed in a transit or toll facility, or to impair the ability of a police officer to conduct a lawful search of a person in a transit facility. The criminal court of the city of New York shall continue to have jurisdiction over any criminal charge or traffic infraction brought for violation of the rules of the authority [or], the triborough bridge and tunnel authority OR THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OR A SUBSIDIARY THEREOF, as well as jurisdiction relating to any act which may constitute a crime or an offense under any law of the state of New York or any municipality or political subdivision thereof and which may also constitute a violation of such rules. The bureau shall have concur-rent jurisdiction with the environmental control board and the adminis-trative tribunal of the department of health over the aforesaid provisions of the health code and noise control code of the city of New 

- S 2. Paragraphs b and i of subdivision 4 of section 1209-a of the public authorities law, as amended by chapter 379 of the laws of 1992, are amended to read as follows:
- b. To impose civil penalties not to exceed a total of one hundred fifty dollars for any transit infraction within its jurisdiction, in accordance with a penalty schedule established by the authority OR THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OR A SUBSIDIARY THEREOF, AS APPLICABLE, except that penalties for violations of the health code of the city of New York shall be in accordance with the penalties established for such violations by the board of health of the city of New York, and penalties for violations of the noise code of the city of New York shall be in accordance with the penalties established for such violations by law, and civil penalties for violations of the rules and regulations of the triborough bridge and tunnel authority shall be in accordance with the penalties established for such violations by section [two thousand nine] TWENTY-NINE hundred eighty-five of this chapter;
- i. To accept payment of penalties and to remit same to the authority OR THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OR A SUBSIDIARY THEREOF, AS APPLICABLE; and
- S 3. Subdivision 4 of section 1266 of the public authorities law, as amended by chapter 415 of the laws of 1966, is amended to read as follows:
- 4. The authority may establish and, in the case of joint service arrangements, join with others in the establishment of such schedules and standards of operations and such other rules and regulations including but not limited to rules and regulations governing the conduct and safety of the public as it may deem necessary, convenient or desirable for the use and operation of any transportation facility and related services operated by the authority or under contract, lease or other arrangement, including joint service arrangements, with the authority.

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Such rules and regulations governing the conduct and safety of the public shall be filed with the department of state in the manner provided by section one hundred two of the executive law. In the case of any conflict between any such rule or regulation of the authority governing the conduct or the safety of the public and any local law, ordinance, rule or regulation, such rule or regulation of the authority 5 6 7 shall prevail. Violation of any such rule or regulation of the authority 8 governing the conduct or the safety of the public in or upon any facility of the authority shall constitute an offense and shall be punishable 9 10 by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars or imprisonment for not more than thirty days or both OR MAY BE PUNISHABLE BY THE IMPOSITION OF A CIVIL 11 PENALTY BY THE TRANSIT ADJUDICATION BUREAU ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO THE 12 PROVISIONS OF TITLE NINE OF THIS ARTICLE. 13

14 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.