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Introduced by Sens. COMRIE, LIU -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to allowing two automatic free transfers for riders using pay-per-ride Metrocards

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

Section 1. Section 1266 of the public authorities law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3-b to read as follows:

3-b. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the authority shall establish a "two free transfers policy", provided, however, the authority shall not pay any costs or expenses related to the two free transfers policy from its operating or capital budgets and may only implement the two free transfers policy with funds appropriated to it by the state of New York for such purpose. The two free transfers policy may be amended from time to time. Such policy shall provide any person who pays for a single fare or rate with at least two automatic free transfers at no additional cost between any subway and bus, or between buses that are owned and operated by the authority. Such transfers shall be valid for two hours from the time such fare or rate is collected by the authority at a transit facility.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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