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Introduced by M. of A. GONZALEZ-ROJAS, TAPIA, SIMONE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- again reported from said committee with amendments, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to the Fair Fares act

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 16-a to read as follows:

16-a. (a) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law or the terms of any contract, the city of New York, in consultation with the authority, shall expand the Fair Fares NYC program to permit any individual who is eligible for the program and any individual whose income is three hundred percent of the federal poverty level to receive a fifty percent discount on trips using the Long Island Rail Road, paratransit services, New York city transit subways or buses, and/or Metro-North railroad. Such expansion shall be funded by the city of New York.

(b) For purposes of this subdivision, "Fair Fares NYC program" shall have the same meaning and eligibility standards as set forth in chapter twelve of title sixty-eight of the rules of the city of New York, which provides a fifty percent fare discount for designated transit options.

(c) Additionally, the city of New York shall conduct a public outreach campaign to increase public awareness and expand usage of the Fair Fares NYC program by eligible individuals.

§ 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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