

SB0633



100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 1/25/2017, by Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

70 ILCS 3605/51

Amends the Metropolitan Transit Authority Act. Provides that on and after January 1, 2018, the Chicago Transit Board shall provide tickets at no charge for high school students that are eligible for free or reduced meals or milk under the federal National School Lunch Program or the Commodity School Program on days when school is in session. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Metropolitan Transit Authority Act is
5 amended by changing Section 51 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 3605/51)

7 Sec. 51. Free services; eligibility.

8 (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than
9 60 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of
10 the 95th General Assembly and until subsection (b) is
11 implemented, any fixed route public transportation services
12 provided by, or under grant or purchase of service contracts
13 of, the Board shall be provided without charge to all senior
14 citizens of the Metropolitan Region (as such term is defined in
15 70 ILCS 3615/1.03) aged 65 and older, under such conditions as
16 shall be prescribed by the Board.

17 (b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no later than
18 180 days following the effective date of this amendatory Act of
19 the 96th General Assembly, any fixed route public
20 transportation services provided by, or under grant or purchase
21 of service contracts of, the Board shall be provided without
22 charge to senior citizens aged 65 and older who meet the income
23 eligibility limitation set forth in subsection (a-5) of Section

1 4 of the Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities Property
2 Tax Relief Act, under such conditions as shall be prescribed by
3 the Board. The Department on Aging shall furnish all
4 information reasonably necessary to determine eligibility,
5 including updated lists of individuals who are eligible for
6 services without charge under this Section. Nothing in this
7 Section shall relieve the Board from providing reduced fares as
8 may be required by federal law.

9 (c) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, on and after
10 January 1, 2018, any fixed route public transportation services
11 provided by, or under grant or purchase of device contracts of,
12 the Board shall be provided without charge to high school
13 students that are eligible for free or reduced price meals and
14 free milk under the federal National School Lunch Program or
15 the Commodity School Program on days when school is in session.

16 (Source: P.A. 99-143, eff. 7-27-15.)

17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
18 becoming law.