COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NOTICE

D. C. LAW 2-152

"School Transit Subsidy Act of 1978"

Pursuant to Section 412 of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act, P. L. 93-198, "the Act", the Council of the District of Columbia adopted Bill No. 2-293, on first and second readings, July 11, 1978 and July 25, 1978 respectively. Following the signature of the Mayor on August 21, 1978, this legislation was assigned Act No. 2-270, published in the September 22, 1978, edition of the D.C. Register, (Vol. 25 page 2534) and transmitted to Congress on January 19, 1979 for a 30-day review, in accordance with Section 602 (c)(1) of the Act.

The Council of the District of Columbia hereby gives notice: that the 30-day Congressional Review Period has expired, and, therefore, cites the following legislation as D.C. Law 2-152, effective March 6, 1979.

ARRINGTON DIXON Chairman of the Council

Dates Counted During the 30-day Congressional Review Period:

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2-270____

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF CULUMBIA

AUGUST 21, 1978

To provide for the transportation of District of Columbia students on the Metrobus and Metrorail Transit Systems at a reduced fare of ten cents and to authorize the payment of a School Transit Subsidy to the Mashington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

That this act may be cited as the "School Transit Subsidy Act of 1978".

Sec. 2. The act entitled "An Act to provide for the regulation of fares for the transportation of schoolchildren in the District of Columbia", approved August 9, 1955 (69 Stat. 515; D.C. Code, sec. 44-214a) is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 1. SUBSIDY AGREEMENT. The Mayor of the District of Columbia is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority for the transportation, at reduced fores, of students going to and from public, parachial, and private schools and to and from related educational activities in the District of Columbia.

- "Sec. 2. FARES; ELIGIBILITY.
- "(a) The farm, to be paid by students for regular route transportation on the Metrobus Transit System within the District of Columbia, shall be ten cents (102) during both the peak and off-peak hours. Beginning on September 5, 1978, the fare to be paid by students for transportation on the Metrorail Transit System within the District of Columbia shall be ten cents (10%) during both the peak and off-peak hours.
- "(b) This reduced fare is valid only for transportation of students going to and from public, parochial, and private schools and to and from related educational activities in the district of Columbia.
- "(c) Reduced fares for students on the Matrobus and Metrorail Transit Systems shall be available only to persons who are:
 - "(1) under nineteen (19) years of age;
 - "(2) residents of the District of Columbia;

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"(3) currently enrolled in a regular course of instruction at an elementary or secondary publication of private school located in the district of Columbia.

"(d) Reduced fares for students on the Metrorail
Transit system shall be available only to persons who
possess a valid student Metrorail discount tend.

"Sec. 3. STUDENT FARE TOKENS.

- "(a) Student fare tokens shall be issued by the dayor of the District of Columbia only to students who present a certification of eligibility to use the Metrobus Transit System issued by an authorized school official.
- "(5) Cartifications of eligibility shall be issued only to those students who meet the eligibility requirements imposed by subsection (c) of section 2 and shall contain such additional information as the Mayor may require. The Mayor is authorized to verify information contained in certifications of eligibility.

"Sec. 4. STUDENT METRORALL DISCOUNT CARDS.

- "(a) Student Metrorail discount cards shall be issued by the Mayor of the District of Columbia only to those students who: (1) present a certification of eligicility to use the Metrorail Transit System issued by an authorized school official; and (2) have a need to use the Metrorail Transit System as determined by the Mayor.
- "(D) Cartifications of eligibility shall be issued only to those students who meet the eligibility requirements imposed by subsection (c) of section 2 and shall contain

syon additional information as the Mayor may require. The Mayor is authorized to verify information contained in certifications of eligibility.

- "(C) In determining need pursuant to subsection

 (a)(2) of this section, the Mayor shall consider appropriate indices of the student's need to use the Metrorail Transit System for transportation to and from school and related educational activities in the district of Iolumbia, including the proximity of the student's residence to his school, the proximity of the student's residence and school to Metrorail stations and the student's participation in city-wide education programs, work-study programs, inter-school extracurricular activities and other similar education and extracurricular activity programs.
- "(d) Student Metrorail discount cards shall: (1)

 bear the name of the student, an expiration date and such

 bether information as the Mayor may requir; (2) be

 displayed by the student when burchasing Metrorail student

 farecards; (3) be signed by the student inhediately upon

 receipt; and (4) be nontransferable.
- "(e) Metrorail student forecards small: (1) be signed by the student immediately upon purchase; and (2) be nontransferable.

"(f) No person, other than the person for whose use such farecard is issued, shall use a student Matrorail farecard to ride on a Metrorail train and any such other use is hereby prohibited.

"Sec. 5. SUBSIDY PAYMENTS; AUDIT.

- (a) The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit
 Authority shall certify to the Mayor, as soon as
 practicable, following the end of each calendar month:
- "(1) the amount that is the difference between the total of all Metropus student fare tokens collected by the Washington Area Transit Authority during such calendar month for the transportation of students on the Metropus Transit System times forty-five cents (452), are such other amount as may hereinafter be agreed to by the Mayor and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, pursuant to a student bassenger survey or other appropriate method, and the total of all such fare tokens times ten cents (100);
- "(2) the amount that is the difference potween the total of all fares that would have been paid to the washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority during such calendar nonth by students for transportation on the Metropolitanist System. If such fares had been paid at the otherwise applicable regular abult Metropolit fare for each

all money collected by the Washington Metropolitan Area
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with the sale of Metropail student faracards:

- "(b) Effective Saptember 1. 1978, the phrase 'suchfare tokens' in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) is amended
 to read 'Matronus student fare tokens sold during such
 calendar month'.
- "(c) The Mayor, upon receiving any such certification, shall pay the Washington Metrupolitum Area Transit Authority, subject to an audit acceptable to the Mayor, the amounts contained therein. The Mayor is authorized to make advance subsidy payments to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority: PROVIDED. That the District of Columbia shall receive an appropriate interest credit from the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority for each such advance payment; and PROVIDED FURTHER. That the exercise of such authority shall not offect the cartification and audit requirements.

"Sec. 5. RULES AND REGULATIONS. The Mayor shall promultate rules and regulations necessary to carry out this act. including rules and regulations relating to the maximum number of Metrobus student fare tokens and metrorall student farecards that may be purchased by an eligible student at

any one time or during a specific period of time, and relating to the use of fare tokens and farecards for the transportation of students going to and from school programs and related activities held in the District of Columbia on weekends and holidays.".

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect as provided in section 602(c)(l) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act.

RECORD OF OFFICIAL COUNCIL ACTION

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