

SENATE BILL 598

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By: **Senator Rosapepe**

Introduced and read first time: February 5, 2010

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Utility Companies – University of Maryland, College Park Bus Service**
3 **– Motor Carrier Permit Exemption – Removal of Sunset**

4 FOR the purpose of removing the sunset applicable to a certain motor carrier permit
5 exemption relating to bus service provided by the University of Maryland,
6 College Park; and generally relating to bus service provided by the University of
7 Maryland, College Park to its students and to the residents of a certain
8 municipal corporation.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article – Public Utility Companies
11 Section 9–201
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
15 Chapter 346 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008
16 Section 2

17 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
18 Chapter 346 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008
19 Section 3

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
2 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

3 **Article – Public Utility Companies**

4 9–201.

5 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a motor carrier permit
6 is required for a passenger motor vehicle used in the transportation of persons for hire.

7 (b) A motor carrier permit is not required for:

8 (1) a motor vehicle used exclusively for the transportation of pupils to
9 and from public or private schools;

10 (2) a motor vehicle operated for a period of not more than 3 months in
11 any registration year in the transportation of persons employed at a cannery located in
12 a county;

13 (3) taxicabs;

14 (4) public transportation for hire authorized to operate on the
15 boardwalk in Ocean City;

16 (5) a vanpool operation as defined in § 11–175.1 of the Transportation
17 Article;

18 (6) the public transportation system for Washington County
19 established under § 1–603 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Washington County,
20 Article 22 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland;

21 (7) the public transportation system for Allegany County established
22 under § 23–24 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Allegany County, Article 1 of the
23 Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland;

24 (8) the public transportation system for Frederick County established
25 by the Board of County Commissioners for Frederick County; or

26 (9) shuttle bus service operated by the University of Maryland,
27 College Park for students enrolled at the University of Maryland, College Park and, in
28 exchange for payment by the municipal corporation in which the University of
29 Maryland, College Park is located, transportation service on the shuttle bus to
30 residents of the municipal corporation.

31 (c) The public duties of a common carrier may not be imposed on a person
32 with respect to a vehicle for which a motor carrier permit is required under this
33 section, if the vehicle is not actually engaged in public transportation.

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Chapter 346 of the Acts of 2008

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before December 31, 2010, the Department of Transportation Services in the University of Maryland, College Park shall report, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee on the implementation of a transportation services program with the City of College Park for the residents of the City of College Park.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2008. [It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of June 30, 2011, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

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SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2010.