



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 7134

LCO No. 3839



Referred to Committee on VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Introduced by:
(VA)

AN ACT CONCERNING BUS PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION CHARGES FOR VETERANS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 13b-38i of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

3 [Any] (a) A person who is a veteran, as defined in subsection (a) of
4 section 27-103, shall be exempt from payment of the lawful charge for
5 state-owned or state-controlled bus public transportation service,
6 provided such person presents to the fare inspector, as defined in
7 section 13b-2, or the driver of such bus, as applicable, a motor vehicle
8 operator's license or identity card that indicates such person's status as
9 a veteran in accordance with subsection (e) of section 14-36h.

10 (b) Unless otherwise exempt under subsection (a) of this section,
11 any person who, with intent to obtain state-owned or controlled bus
12 public transportation service without payment of the lawful charge
13 therefor or to avoid payment of the lawful charge for such service that
14 has been rendered to such person, obtains such service or avoids

15 payment therefor by force, intimidation, stealth, deception or
16 mechanical tampering, or by unjustifiable failure or refusal to pay,
17 shall have committed an infraction.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2019</i>	13b-38i
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Statement of Purpose:

To allow a passenger who is a veteran, upon presentation of a motor vehicle operator's license or identity card indicating such passenger's status as a veteran, to ride state-owned or state-controlled bus public transportation free of charge.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]