



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 7134

January Session, 2019



AN ACT CONCERNING REDUCED BUS FARES FOR VETERANS.

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

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 Section 13b-38h of the general statutes is repealed and the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

3 (a) The Department of Transportation shall provide for changes in
4 fares for mass transportation by land in accordance with the provisions
5 of this section and shall not be required to conform to the procedures
6 in chapter 54.

7 (b) Prior to adopting any change in fares for mass transportation by
8 land, the department shall (1) give notice of the proposed fare change,
9 its amount and the date it is proposed to take effect by advertising, at
10 least once, in one or more newspapers having general circulation in all
11 areas of the state that may be affected by such change in fares, and (2)
12 in such notice, provide information on the time and place a public
13 hearing is to be held on such proposed change. Such notice shall be
14 posted at least fifteen days prior to such public hearing. The
15 department shall send a copy of such notice to the chairpersons and
16 ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General
17 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation and
18 to finance. A public hearing on the proposed fare change shall be held
19 at such time and place as will be convenient for public attendance.

20 (c) The department shall provide for reduced fares for state-owned
21 or state-controlled bus public transportation service for any person
22 who presents to the fare inspector, as defined in section 13b-2, or the
23 driver of such bus, as applicable, a motor vehicle operator's license or
24 identity card that indicates such person's status as a veteran, in
25 accordance with subsection (e) of section 14-36h.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2019	13b-38h

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

Subsec. (c) was rewritten for clarity and consistency with standard drafting conventions.

VA *Joint Favorable Subst.*