

SENATE BILL No. 245

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 8-25.

Synopsis: Public transportation projects. Provides that there shall be no dedicated lanes for any portion of a public street that is located outside of the one square mile area surrounding Monument Circle at the intersection of Meridian Street and Market Street in the city of Indianapolis for the exclusive use of public transit vehicles. Provides an exception for certain rapid transit lines. Defines the term "blue line". Provides that bonds may not be used to fund a dedicated lane for any portion of a public street that is located outside of the one square mile area.

Effective: Upon passage.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2022 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning transportation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 8-25-1-2.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 3 UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 2.5. "Blue line" means the Indianapolis**
 4 **Public Transportation Corporation (IndyGo) east-west bus rapid**
 5 **transit line primarily along Washington Street, between the**
 6 **Indianapolis International Airport, downtown Indianapolis, and**
 7 **Cumberland, as described and mapped in the IndyGo Blue Line**
 8 **Rapid Transit Indianapolis, Indiana Small Starts Project**
 9 **Development Rating Assignment by the United States Department**
 10 **of Transportation Federal Transit Administration in November**
 11 **2019. If the route is renamed or a new rating assignment is**
 12 **submitted and it continues to be a substantially similar route as**
 13 **compared to the November 2019 rating report, the definition still**
 14 **applies.**

15 SECTION 2. IC 8-25-1-3.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
 16 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
 17 UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 3.5. "Dedicated lane" refers to portions of**



1 a street designated by signs, markings, or other means for the
2 exclusive use of public transit vehicles.
3 SECTION 3. IC 8-25-4-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
4 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
5 UPON PASSAGE]: **Sec. 11. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision**
6 **of this article and subject to subsection (b), there shall be no**
7 **dedicated lanes for any portion of a public street that is located**
8 **outside of the one (1) square mile area surrounding Monument**
9 **Circle at the intersection of Meridian Street and Market Street in**
10 **the city of Indianapolis for the exclusive use of public transit**
11 **vehicles, known as the blue line.**
12 (b) Subsection (a) does not apply to the existing red line rapid
13 transit line or the purple line rapid transit line during its
14 construction or after its completion.
15 (c) Bonds issued under IC 8-25-5 or any other statute may not
16 be used to fund a dedicated lane for any portion of a public street
17 that is located outside of the one (1) square mile area surrounding
18 Monument Circle at the intersection of Meridian Street and
19 Market Street in the city of Indianapolis for the exclusive use of
20 public transit vehicles, known as the blue line.
21 SECTION 4. An emergency is declared for this act.

