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#### STATE OFRHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

# **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010**

## AN ACT

### RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS

Introduced By: Senators Miller, Connors, Metts, Goodwin, and Perry

Date Introduced: February 11, 2010

Referred To: Senate Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 39-18 of the General Laws entitled "Rhode Island Public Transit

2 Authority" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

39-18-24. Use of transportation by students -- discounts. - Effective September 1, 3

4 2010, all public colleges and public institutions of higher education in this state, including, but

5 not limited to, the University of Rhode Island, the Community College of Rhode Island, and

Rhode Island College, shall, on every campus, have available for purchase by students with a 6

current valid student identification card issued by the respective college or university monthly

transportation passes at a discount of at least fifty percent (50%). 8

9 (b) At the request of the board, the authority shall present to the board of governors for

10 higher education a recommendation to determine the anticipated cost needed to maintain the

11 program each school year.

12 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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# **EXPLANATION**

# BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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This act would allow students of Rhode Island's public colleges and universities with current valid school identification cards to purchase RIPTA transportation services at a discount of at least fifty percent (50%).

This act would take effect upon passage.

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