

REFERENCE TITLE: **subsidized transit ridership; governmental entities**

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Introduced by
Representative Allen

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 28-9123, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 28, CHAPTER 26, ARTICLE 3, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 28-9144; RELATING TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 28-9123, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 28-9123. Survey of public transportation needs

5 A. The board shall conduct a periodic survey of public transportation
6 needs in the authority and determine an appropriate public transportation
7 system to meet those needs and the means to finance the system. The board
8 shall consider whether to operate the system directly or to contract with
9 outside parties for the operation of all or part of the system.

10 B. Each year the board shall produce a five year public transportation
11 program that is consistent with the regional transportation plan approved by
12 the regional council of governments. The five-year program shall:

13 1. Contain public transportation projects financed with monies from
14 federal, state and local funding.

15 2. Contain a description of each project, including a schedule of
16 expenditures and a source of funding for each project.

17 3. Identify the entity that is responsible for implementing each
18 project or phase of the public transportation program.

19 4. Define and identify regional public transportation corridors.

20 5. Define the public transportation problems, goals and needs for each
21 corridor and policies and priorities for meeting those goals and needs.

22 6. Determine a mix of public transportation modes appropriate for
23 development in light of the public transportation goals and needs for each
24 corridor.

25 7. Locate routes and access points to the public transportation
26 systems.

27 8. Determine the ridership capacity and use of public transportation
28 systems. IF THIS STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE SUBSIDIZES
29 PUBLIC TRANSIT FARES FOR ITS EMPLOYEES TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF PUBLIC
30 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS, THE RIDERSHIP THAT RESULTS SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED IN
31 MAKING DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO THIS PARAGRAPH.

32 C. The five year public transportation program shall include, in
33 addition to the appropriate items prescribed in subsection B of this section,
34 the following items presented on an individual fiscal year basis:

35 1. The capital and operating costs of the public transportation
36 system.

37 2. The revenue needed by source, according to section 28-9142, to fund
38 the public transportation system.

39 Sec. 2. Title 28, chapter 26, article 3, Arizona Revised Statutes, is
40 amended by adding section 28-9144, to read:

41 28-9144. Transit subsidies; monies to this state and political
42 subdivisions of this state prohibited

43 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, IF THIS STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION
44 OF THIS STATE SUBSIDIZES PUBLIC TRANSIT FARES FOR ITS EMPLOYEES TO ENCOURAGE
45 THE USE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS, THIS STATE OR THE POLITICAL
46 SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE SHALL NOT RECEIVE ANY COMPENSATION FOR ITS
47 EMPLOYEES' TRANSIT RIDERSHIP USE.