

Legislation Text

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Res. No. 108

Resolution calling upon the Metropolitan Transportation Authority to allow seniors and disabled persons to receive fare discounts on express buses during rush hours, between the hours of 6 am to 10 am and between 3 pm and 7 pm on Monday through Friday.

By Council Member Rose

Whereas, Currently eligible seniors, those 65 and older, and disabled persons can ride the local bus and

subway for the half-price fare any time of the day; and

Whereas, However, seniors and people with disabilities are not eligible for the half-price fare on express

bus service during rush hours; and

Whereas, With recent changes to cut door-to-door service and to increase Access-A-Ride's feeder

service to and from fixed routes, it is crucial that seniors and people with disabilities have access to alternative

forms of transportation; and

Whereas, Many seniors and people with disabilities live on a fixed income; and

Whereas, The express bus base fare has risen from \$5.00 in 2010 to \$6.50 currently and biannual MTA

fare increases are scheduled to continue; and

Whereas, The lack of rush hour discounted fares discourages some seniors and people with disabilities

from being more active; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the City of New York calls upon the Metropolitan Transportation

Authority to allow seniors and disabled persons to receive fare discounts on express buses during rush hours,

between the hours of 6 am to 10 am and between 3 pm and 7 pm on Monday through Friday.

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