DIGEST

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Austin Badon HB No. 518

Abstract: Provides for definitions of operating expenses, operating revenue or income, and number of passengers. Exempts transit systems with fewer busses from the National Transit Database reporting requirements.

<u>Present law</u> provides that operating expenses, operating revenues, and number of passengers are defined by the Code of Federal Regulations.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides definitions for operating expenses, operating revenue or income, and number of passengers.

<u>Proposed law</u> exempts transit systems with nine or fewer bus waivers from the National Transit Database reporting requirements. Requires such transit systems to report data on the number of passengers, operating expenses, and operating revenue or income in accordance with the requirements of the current National Transit Database Reporting Manual. Further requires the data to be reported by these transit systems to the Dept. of Transportation and Development.

Effective July 1, 2009.

(Amends R.S. 48:756(C); Adds R.S. 48:756(G))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Transportation</u>, <u>Highways and Public Works</u> to the <u>original</u> bill.

1. Adds a requirement that exempts transit systems with fewer busses from the National Transit Database reporting requirements.