

Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 518

BY REPRESENTATIVE AUSTIN BADON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 48:756(C) and to enact R.S. 48:756(G), relative to the Parish
3 Transportation Fund; to provide for definitions of certain terms relative to the
4 distribution formula; to exempt certain transit systems with a limited number of bus
5 waivers from certain reporting requirements; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 48:756(C) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 48:756(G) is
8 hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §756. Distribution formula

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11 ~~C. Operating expenses, operating revenues, and number of passengers shall~~
12 ~~be defined as provided in Part 630 of Chapter 6 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal~~
13 ~~Regulations as published in Volume 42, Number 13 of the Federal Register dated~~
14 ~~Wednesday, January 19, 1977. For purposes of Subsection B of this Section, the~~
15 following terms shall have the following meanings:

16 (1) "Number of passengers" shall mean the annual total of the unlinked
17 passenger trips, defined as the number of passengers who board public transportation
18 vehicles, for each mode of service reported on that National Transit Database
19 pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5335.

20 (2) "Operating expenses" shall mean the total modal expenses for each mode
21 of service reported on the National Transit Database pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5335.

22 (3) "Operating revenue or income" shall mean any operating revenue or
23 income, exclusive of federal and state funds, reported on the National Transit

1 Database pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5335, including total directly generated funds and
2 total local funds.

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4 G. Transit systems with nine or fewer bus waivers shall be exempt from the
5 National Transit Database reporting requirements. These transit systems shall report
6 data on the number of passengers, operating expenses, and operating revenue or
7 income in accordance with the requirements of the current National Transit Database
8 Reporting Manual. The data shall be reported by these transit systems to the
9 Department of Transportation and Development.

10 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2009; if vetoed by the governor
11 and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1,
12 2009, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____