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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Introduced By: Representatives Lombardi, and Hull

Date Introduced: January 07, 2016

Referred To: House 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:

3           **39-18-25. Create parity with MBTA commuter passes.** – [The authority shall consult](#)  
4 [with the Massachusetts Bay transit authority on the feasibility of allowing commuter rail passes to](#)  
5 [be used on all Rhode Island public transit authority buses. Such rail passes shall serve as dual](#)  
6 [Rhode Island public transit authority passes and Massachusetts Bay transit authority passes, if](#)  
7 [possible. Such consultation shall also include proposed methods to apportion and share the costs](#)  
8 [of such passes between the two \(2\) authorities.](#)

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

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would enable the authority to work with MBTA to allow commuter rail passes to
- 2 be used on RIPTA buses.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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