

HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL
KE KANIHELA O KE KALANA O HONOLULU
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

ORDINANCE 24-6

BILL 2 (2024), CD2

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE

RELATING TO PUBLIC TRANSIT.

BE IT ORDAINED by the People of the City and County of Honolulu:

SECTION 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to update and amend sections of Chapter 15B, Article 2, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 ("Islandwide Fare Structure").

SECTION 2. Section 15B-2.1, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021, is amended to read as follows:

"§ 15B-2.1 Fare structure.

(a) For the purposes of this ~~section~~ article, the following definitions apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

Adult. Any person over the age of 17 years who does not qualify as a "youth."

Child. Any person five years of age or younger who is accompanied by a fare-paying passenger, a city employee, or an employee of the transit management services contractor. If not so accompanied, any person five years of age or younger is deemed a "youth" for purposes of this section.

Medicare Cardholder. Any person to whom a Medicare card has been issued, pursuant to Title II or Title XVIII of the Social Security Act, 42 USC § 401, et seq. and 42 USC § 1395, et seq.

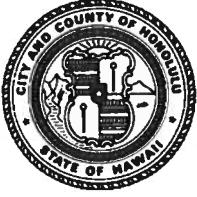
Paratransit Eligibility ID Holder. A person with a card issued under § 15B-4.3.

Person with a Disability under § 15B-2.2. A person with a temporary or permanent disability qualified for a fare plan under § 15B-2.2.

Senior Citizen. A person 65 years of age or older with a programmed city payment card issued in accordance with § 15B-2.3.

Service Day. The hours of operation of the city bus system and city rail system from 12:01 a.m. to 2:59 a.m. the following day.

Single Ride Fare. The required payment for a ride on the city bus system or the city rail system.



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Single Ride Fare Special Event. The required payment for a ride on the city bus system or the city rail system for a special event as designated by the director.

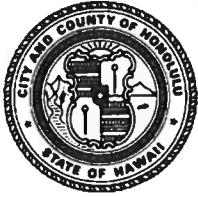
Student Transit Pass. A card, including a smart card, ticket, voucher, or similar document, distributed as approved by the department, that entitles a student holding the pass to ride on the city bus and rail system for the duration specified on the pass.

Youth. A person six through 17 years of age, subject to the presentation of a valid identification card establishing the age of the person. [~~Youth~~] "Youth" includes high school students 18 and 19 years of age with a valid high school identification card establishing the age of the student and the student's current enrollment, but excludes college, university, and vocational training students if over the age of 17.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this article, the following fares apply to every passenger using the city bus system and the city rail system, and every passenger riding the city bus system and the city rail system shall pay the applicable fare set forth in this table:

FARE STRUCTURE TABLE

Passenger Category	Cash	Fares Paid Using City Payment Card (CPC) Only					Special Event
	Single Ride Fare	Single Ride with 2.5-Hour Capped Fare with Free Transfers Between Bus, Rail, and Paratransit Systems	Daily <u>Pass</u> or Maximum Capped Fare	Monthly Pass or Maximum Capped Fare	Annual Pass	[Seven-Day Pass]	Single Ride Fare – Special Event
Adult	\$3	\$3	\$7.50	\$80	\$880	[\$30]	\$6.25
Youth	\$1.50	\$1.50 with programmed CPC	\$3.75 with programmed CPC	\$40 with programmed CPC	\$440 with programmed CPC	[\$15]	\$6.25



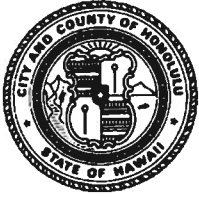
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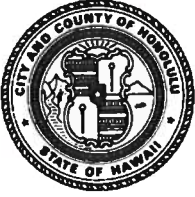
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Child	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0
Senior Citizen (Non-Hawaii Resident)	\$1.25 with valid CPC ID	\$1.25 with programmed CPC	\$3 with programmed CPC	Not applicable	Not applicable		\$6.25
Senior Citizen (Hawaii Resident)	\$1.25 with valid CPC ID	\$1.25 with programmed CPC	\$3 with programmed CPC	\$20 with programmed CPC	\$45 with programmed CPC		\$6.25
Person with a Disability Under § 15B-2.2 (Non-Hawaii Resident)	\$1.25 with valid CPC ID	\$1.25 with programmed CPC	\$3 with programmed CPC	Not applicable	Not applicable		\$6.25
Person with a Disability Under § 15B-2.2 (Hawaii Resident)	\$1.25 with valid CPC ID	\$1.25 with programmed CPC	\$3 with programmed CPC	\$20 with programmed CPC	\$45 with programmed CPC		\$6.25



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Medicare Cardholders (Non-Hawaii Resident)	\$1.25 with valid Medicare Card ID	\$1.25 with programmed CPC	\$3 with programmed CPC	[\$20 with programmed CPC] <u>Not applicable</u>	[\$45 with programmed CPC] <u>Not applicable</u>		\$6.25
Medicare Cardholders (Hawaii Resident)	<u>\$1.25 with valid Medicare Card ID</u>	<u>\$1.25 with programmed CPC</u>	<u>\$3 with programmed CPC</u>	<u>\$20 with programmed CPC</u>	<u>\$45 with programmed CPC</u>		<u>\$6.25</u>
Paratransit Eligibility ID Holders	\$1.25 with valid paratransit ID	\$1.25 with programmed CPC	\$2 with programmed CPC	\$6 with programmed CPC	\$35 with programmed CPC		\$6.25
Personal Care Attendant (PCA)	\$0 when performing PCA service	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable		\$6.25

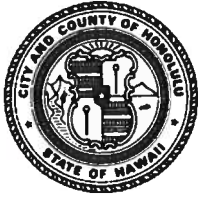
(c) The department may establish a program for the use of transit passes issued to individuals upon payment of the designated fare [~~and that~~], which may be used for the duration specified on the pass. The passes will be issued at various locations to be selected and advertised by the department. The department, through the department of budget and fiscal services, may enter into contractual arrangements with any parties, private or public, when such arrangements are



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deemed to be in the ~~best~~ public interest for the sale and issuance of transit passes. The council must be informed within 30 days of the city's entering into any such arrangement.

- (d) The department may allow a person to board a city transit system vehicle or enter a designated paid fare area without being charged a fare as part of a promotional offer or package made available by the city.
- (e) In the event of a strike or work stoppage that shuts down any portion of the multimodal municipal transportation system, the department may make ~~such~~ fare adjustments as in the judgment of the department are warranted by the particular circumstances.
- (f) The department may establish a program for the issuance of college and university student, faculty, and staff transit passes. Such passes may be issued to students, faculty, and staff by a college or university and will be subject to terms to be agreed upon between the college or university and the department. Students, faculty, and staff to whom ~~such~~ the passes are issued shall pay the fare negotiated rather than a fare established under subsection (b).
- (g) The department may establish a program for the issuance of student transit passes in accordance with § 15B-2. The passes may be issued to students by a participating State department of education school and will be subject to terms to be agreed upon between the department and the State department of education. The fare for students to whom the transit passes are issued shall be paid by the State department of education at the fare negotiated rather than a fare established under subsection (b).
- ~~(g)~~(h) The department may establish a program for the issuance of free transit passes for city employees.
- ~~(h)~~(i) A child riding a city transit system vehicle for free may not occupy a seat to the exclusion of another passenger.
- ~~(i)~~(i) The department may establish a trainer pass program for persons who train persons with disabilities to use the city transit system.
- ~~(j)~~(k) A personal care attendant accompanying a paratransit eligibility ID holder may not pay a fare when performing the service.



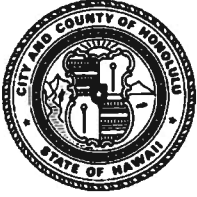
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~~[(k)](l)~~ The department may establish ~~[a special seven-day pass for adults or youth that is effective upon first tap on any validator at multimodal municipal transportation system facilities, and on city transit system vehicles equipped with fare validators. The pass will be valid for seven consecutive days after the initial tap. The price for the seven-day pass is 10 times the value of an adult single ride fare or the youth single ride fare using the city payment card, as applicable.]~~ special reduced term passes for periods of seven days or less at fares provided in this subsection rather than a fare established under subsection (b). Reduced term passes shall be valid for riders of all ages. The three-day pass shall be sold at \$20, and the seven-day pass shall be sold at \$35. The three-day pass shall be valid for 72 hours after the initial tap on a fare validator. The seven-day pass shall be valid for 168 hours after the initial tap on a fare validator."

SECTION 3. Chapter 15B, Article 2, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 ("Islandwide Fare Structure"), is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated by the Revisor of Ordinances and to read as follows:

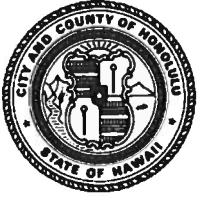
"§ 15B-2. Student transit pass program.

- (a) Establishment. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the department is authorized to establish a program to provide transit passes for students enrolled at participating schools to attend school and off-campus educational and non-educational activities. For purposes of this section, "participating school" means any State department of education school; provided that the appropriate State administrators at the State department of education agree with the director to participate in the program. Under the program, the department must issue student transit passes entitling the student pass holder to bus and rail rides, valid during the academic school year for which the transit pass is issued.
- (b) Program eligibility. A student enrolled at a participating school may participate in the program; provided that the State department of education approves the student's completed application and submits the student's information to the department in accordance with criteria established by the department in conjunction with the State department of education.
- (c) Student transit passes; restrictions on usage. Based on the student information provided by the State department of education, the department must provide the student transit passes for the academic program year. The department may restrict the use of a student transit pass as may be needed and appropriate to ensure student safety and accountability.



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- (d) Program. The student transit pass program will provide the number of transit passes as may be required by the participating schools by academic program year, commencing on August 1 and ending on May 31 of each academic program year. The terms for the student transit passes for each academic year must be negotiated and agreed upon between the department and the State department of education. The fare for students to whom the transit passes are issued must be paid by the State department of education at the fare negotiated rather than a fare established under § 15B-2.1(b); provided that the fare for the student transit pass program must be established so that the total revenue collected for the student transit pass program is not less than the total revenue that would be collected pursuant to § 15B-2.1(b), based upon projected participating student usage. Projections must be evaluated annually, based upon actual ridership data for participating students.
- (e) Annual Report. For each year of the program, the department must submit a report on the program to the council no later than 60 days following the scheduled end of the academic program year. The report must include, at a minimum:
- (1) A discussion of the benefits, if any, gained from the program, including a voluntary survey of the participating students and schools for the purpose of collecting and analyzing data necessary to identify and determine riding trends and monitor student usage;
 - (2) An analysis of the method of implementation of the student transit pass program, the cost of the program, and the number of student transit passes issued and used during the academic program year;
 - (3) An assessment and evaluation of the overall status or success of the program, and identification of the criteria used to measure success, including but not limited to increased participation by students in off-campus and after-school academic and non-academic activities; and
 - (4) Recommendations on whether to continue, modify, or discontinue the student transit pass program, including an assessment of the availability of alternative private transit services for the participating schools for the following academic program year."



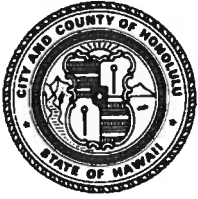
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SECTION 4. Ordinance material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New material is underscored. When revising, compiling, or printing this ordinance for inclusion in the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, the Revisor of Ordinances need not include the brackets, the material that has been bracketed and stricken, or the underscoring. The Revisor of Ordinances shall, pursuant to the Revisor's authority under SECTION 2 of Ordinance 23-7, update the Reporting Requirements Table to include the reporting requirements enacted by SECTION 3 of this ordinance.



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SECTION 5. This ordinance takes effect upon its approval; provided that any program for student fares established pursuant to (a) SECTION 2 of this ordinance, solely with respect to amended Section 15B-2.1(g), Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021; and (b) SECTION 3 of this ordinance, may be retroactively applied to encompass the entire 2023 – 2024 academic program year.

INTRODUCED BY:

Tommy Waters (br)

DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

January 3, 2024
Honolulu, Hawai'i

Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

Kathleen Kelly
Deputy Corporation Counsel
KATHLEEN A. KELLY

APPROVED this 3rd day of May, 2024.

Rick Blangiardi
RICK BLANGIARDI, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu

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CERTIFICATE

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Introduced: 01/03/24 By: TOMMY WATERS - BY REQUEST Committee: BUDGET (BUD)

Title: RELATING TO PUBLIC TRANSIT.

Voting Legend: * = Aye w/Reservations

01/03/24	INTRO	Introduced.
01/24/24	CCL	Passed first reading. 9 AYES: CORDERO*, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER
02/06/24	BUD	Reported out for passage on second reading and scheduling of a public hearing as amended in CD1 form. CR-32 5 AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, WEYER
02/16/24	PUBLISH	Public hearing notice published in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser.
02/28/24	CCL/PH	Committee report adopted. Bill passed second reading as amended, public hearing closed and referred to committee. 9 AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, SAY, TULBA, TUPOLA, WATERS, WEYER
03/05/24	BUD	Cancelled and not considered.
03/06/24	PUBLISH	Second reading notice published in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser.
03/15/24	PUBLISH	Public hearing notice published in the Honolulu Star-Advertiser.
03/25/24	CCL/PH	Public hearing closed and referred to Committee.
04/02/24	BUD	Reported out for passage on third reading as amended in CD2 form. CR-89 5 AYES: CORDERO, KIA'ĀINA, SAY, TULBA, WEYER
04/17/24	CCL	Committee report adopted and Bill passed third reading as amended. 8 AYES: CORDERO, DOS SANTOS-TAM, KIA'ĀINA, OKIMOTO, SAY, TULBA, WATERS, WEYER 1 ABSENT: TUPOLA

I hereby certify that the above is a true record of action by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu on this BILL.



GLEN I. TAKAHASHI, CITY CLERK



TOMMY WATERS, CHAIR AND PRESIDING OFFICER