

EQUITABLE ALLOCATION OF PUBLIC TRANSIT

DISTRICT FUNDING

2017 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Karen Mayne

House Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill requires a public transit district to consider mass-transit facilities and population in allocating funds.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▶ ~~§~~ → [—requires] allows ← ~~§~~ a public transit district to allocate funds based on access to rail lines and

population distribution; and

▶ requires a report of the criteria and data considered in the funding decisions.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

17B-2a-806, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2007, Chapter 329

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **17B-2a-806** is amended to read:

17B-2a-806. Authority of the state or an agency of the state with respect to a

S.B. 222



28 **public transit district -- Counties and municipalities authorized to provide funds to**
 29 **public transit district -- Equitable allocation of resources within the public transit**
 30 **district.**

31 (1) The state or an agency of the state may:

32 (a) make public contributions to a public transit district as in the judgment of the
 33 Legislature or governing board of the agency are necessary or proper;

34 (b) authorize a public transit district to perform, or aid and assist a public transit district
 35 in performing, an activity that the state or agency is authorized by law to perform.

36 (2) (a) A county or municipality involved in the establishment and operation of a
 37 public transit district may provide funds necessary for the operation and maintenance of the
 38 district.

39 (b) A county's use of property tax funds to establish and operate a public transit district
 40 within any part of the county is a county purpose under Section 17-53-220.

41 (3) (a) To allocate resources and funds for development and operation of a public
 42 transit district, whether received under this section or from other sources, a public transit
 43 district ~~shall~~ may ~~may~~ :

44 (i) give priority to public transit services that feed rail fixed guideway services; and

45 (ii) allocate funds according to population distribution within the public transit district.

46 (b) The comptroller of a public transit district shall report the criteria and data
 47 supporting the allocation of resources and funds in the statement required in Section

48 17B-2a-812.

Legislative Review Note
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