Public Service Vehicles
(Travel Concessions) Act 1955

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1   Granting by local authorities of travel concessions.

(1) Notwithstanding anything in any other enactment or in any rule of law to the contrary,
it shall be lawful for any local authority who are operating a public service vehicle
undertaking to make arrangements for the granting of . . . ^{F1} travel concessions to
qualified persons travelling on the public service vehicles run by the local authority
or on any of those vehicles to which the arrangements relate.

(2) In this Act the expression "qualified persons" means persons mentioned in any of the
following paragraphs or any description of such persons, that is to say—

   (a)   men over the age of sixty-five years and women over the age of sixty years;
   (b)   persons whose age does not exceed [^{F2}sixteen] years;
   (c)   persons whose age exceeds [^{F2}sixteen] years but does not exceed eighteen
          years and who are undergoing full-time education;
   (d)   blind persons, that is to say persons so blind as to be unable to perform any
          work for which eyesight is essential;
   (e)   persons suffering from any disability or injury which, in the opinion of the
          local authority, seriously impairs their ability to walk;
   (f)   members of the local authority or of a constituent authority of the local
          authority (including persons who for the purposes of [^{F3}sections 173 to 175 of
          the ^{M1}Local Government Act 1972], are to be treated as members of the local
          authority or constituent authority):

          Provided that travel concessions granted to a person by virtue of paragraph (c)
          of this subsection shall be limited to travel between the residence of such
          person and his place of education or for purposes in connection with the
          education received by him thereat, and travel concessions granted to a person
          by virtue of paragraph (f) of this subsection shall be limited to travel in the
          performance of approved duties as defined in [^{F3}section 177 of the ^{M2}Local
          Government Act 1972].

(3) . . . . ^{F4}

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(4) **F5**

(5) In respect of travel concessions granted by them to qualified persons the council of a
[**F6**district] may, if they think fit, from time to time transfer to the credit of the account
of their transport undertaking sums from the general . . . **F7** fund, being sums not
exceeding the cost to them of granting the concessions or so much of that cost as would
not fall to be met out of the general . . . **F7** fund apart from this subsection.

(6) **F5**

(7) Sections one . . . **F8** of the **M3**Transport Charges &c. (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act
1954, shall not apply to fares chargeable to qualified persons by virtue of travel
concessions granted by local authorities, and no conditions attached to a road service
licence shall prejudice the operation of arrangements for granting such concessions
to such persons.

(8) Any expenditure of a local authority incurred before the passing of this Act which
would have been lawful if this Act had then been in force shall be deemed to have
been lawfully incurred.

Textual Amendments

F1   Word repealed by Travel Concessions Act 1964 (c. 95), **s. 1**
F2   Word substituted by Travel Concessions Act 1964 (c. 95), **s. 1**
F3   Words substituted by virtue of Local Government Act 1972 (c. 70) s. 272(2)
F4   S. 1(3) repealed by Travel Concessions Act 1964 (c. 95), **s. 1**
F5   S. 1(4)(6) repealed by Transport Act 1968 (c. 73), **Sch. 18 Pt. III**
F6   Word "district" substituted for words "county borough or county district" by Local Government Act
          1972 (c. 70), **s. 186(5)**
F7   Words repealed by S.I. 1990/1285, art. 2, **Sch. Part I para. 5**
F8   Words repealed by Transport Act 1980 (c. 34), **Sch. 9 Pt. I**

Marginal Citations

M1   1972 c. 70.
M2   1972 c. 70.
M3   1954 c. 64.

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