

BILL

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A BILL ENTITLED

THE SIERRA LEONE PUBLIC TRANSPORT AUTHORITY Short title.
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 2024

Being an Act to amend the Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority Act, 2023 and to provide for other related matters.

[] Date of commencement.

ENACTED by the President and Members of Parliament in this present Parliament assembled.

1. Section 1 of the Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority Act, 2023 is amended by the insertion immediately after the definition of "operator", the following new definitions - Amendment of section 1 of Act No. 21 of 2023.

"public transport" means a system of road commercial transportation available to the general public whether operated by the Government of Sierra Leone or the private sector;

"public transport infrastructure" includes bus depôts,
bus terminals, bus stops, bus shelters and rest areas.

Amendment
of section 16
of Act No.
21 of 2023.

2. Paragraph (r) of subsection (2) of section 16 of the Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority Act, 2023 is amended by the repeal of that paragraph and the substitution of the following new paragraph-

"(r) management of public transport infrastructure;"

Amendment
of section 19
of Act No. 21
of 2023.

3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 19 of the Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority Act, 2023 is amended by the repeal of that paragraph and the substitution of the following new paragraph-

"(a) has formal qualification in a profession or
discipline relevant to the operation of the Authority;"

Amendment
of section 27
of Act No. 21
of 2023.

4. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 27 of the Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority Act, 2023 is amended by the repeal of that paragraph and the substitution of the following new paragraph-

"(c) 12 percent of fare collected;"

Amendment
of section 33
of Act No. 21
of 2023.

5. Section 33 of the Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority Act, 2023 is amended by the repeal of that section and the substitution of the following new section -

Renewal of licence "33 (1) A person shall not operate a public transport
unless on a licence issued by the authority.

(2) A licence issued by the Authority under
subsection (1) shall be -

(a) valid for 5 years; and

(b) renewable by application in writing to the
Authority, in the prescribed form, not later
than 3 months before the expiration of
the licence.

(3) A licensee who wishes to renew his licence shall make a written application to the Authority in the prescribed form.

(4) The procedure for the application for a fresh licence shall, with necessary modification, apply to the renewal of a licence.

(5) A licensee who fails to renew his licence or whose application for renewal is rejected by the Authority shall cease to function as a public transport operator.

(6) A person who contravenes subsection (1), commits an offence and is liable, on conviction, to a fine not exceeding NLe. 12, 000."

MEMORANDUM OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The object of the Bill is to amend the Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority Act, 2023 and to provide for other related matters.

MADE this day of , 2024.

ALHAJI FANDAY TURAY
Minister of Transport and Aviation.

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SIERRA LEONE.