17. THE PUNJAB LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS (FREE TRAVEL BY ROAD TRANSPORT SERVICES) RULES, 1979.

¹[Rules framed under Section 5 read with Section 4-B(1)(b) of the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Salaries and Allowances of Members) Act, 1942]

- 1. Short title and commencement-(I) These rules may be called the Punjab Legislative Assembly Members (Free Travel by Road Transport Services) Rules, 1979.
 - (II) 'They shall come into force at once.
- 2. **Definitions-** In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:-
- (a)"Act" means the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Salaries and Allowances of Members) Act, 1942;
- (b) "Voucher" means a Bus journey voucher as specified in the Appendix to these rules;
- (c) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Punjab Legislative Assembly or any other officer duly authorized by him in writing to exercise all or any of his powers under these rules;
 - (d) "Corporation" means the Pepsu Road Transport Corporation;

- (e) "Punjab Roadways" means the Punjab State Transport Undertaking having its depots at Jullundur, Amritsar, Moga, Chandigarh, Ludhiana, Hoshiarpur, Pathankot, Muktsar, Ferozepur, Nawanshahar, Tarn Taran, Batala and/ or at such other places where the same may be set up from time to time.
- 3. Supply of identity cards and journey books,-(I) Every Member shall be provided by the Secretary with an identity card, in which a photograph of the Member concerned shall be pasted, and journey books duly signed by the Secretary, which shall entitle him and his spouse or an attendant accompanying him to look after and assist him to travel without payment of fare and passenger tax thereon at any time by any public service vehicle of the Punjab Roadways or of the Corporation.
- (II) Each journey book shall contain one hundred non-transferable vouchers with counterfoils and numbered with the book number and each voucher containing therein shall be numbered in serial order.

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- (III) The Member shall produce the identity card when demanded by the conductor or any officer or inspectorate staff of the Department of Transport or the Corporation.
- 4. Procedure for issue of journey books-(i) Before any journey book is issued to a Member, his name shall be entered thereon by the Secretary.
- (ii) The Secretary shall get the following declaration printed on the covering page of every journey book and signed by the Member before any journey book is issued to him.
- "I______M.L.A., hereby declare that the vouchers will be used for journeys allowed under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of Section 4-B of the Punjab Legislative Assembly (Allowances of Members) Act, 1942.

Signature of the Member".

- 5. Number of journey books to be issued at a time and their availability-(I) Not more than two journey books shall be issued to a Member at any time for the purposes of Rule 3.
- (II) A Member shall use the vouchers in the journey books in serial order and shall return the counterfoils in such journey books to the Secretary.
- (III) No fresh journey books shall be issued to any Member unless the journey books previously issued to such Member have been exhausted and the counterfoils therein are returned by him to the Secretary.
- (IV) In the event of any Member ceasing to be a Member, the journey books with him shall be returned immediately to the Secretary.
- (V) In the case of loss of any journey book or any voucher therein, the Member concerned shall immediately bring it to the notice of the Secretary, who shall forthwith communicate such loss to the General Manager of every depot of the Punjab Roadways and of the Corporation.
- 6. Method of using vouchers and undertaking journey, etc.(I) Any Member desiring to undertake journey by any public service vehicle of the Punjab Roadways or the Corporation may get reserved seats for himself and for his spouse or his attendant accompanying him, in advance either on telephone or by sending a requisition, in writing, to the bus stand Incharge without payment of reservation charges.
 - (II) A Member shall, at the commencement of the journey, fill in

the voucher and the counterfoil thereof and hand over the voucher to the conductor of the vehicle. He shall also show his identity card to the conductor of the vehicle. The conductor shall then himself fill in the various columns of the voucher and the counterfoil in the space left blank.

- (III) A separate voucher shall be used for each journey performed by a Member and his spouse or an attendant accompanying him.
- 7. Luggage.- A Member and his spouse or an attendant shall be entitled to carry such luggage free of charge as is permissible under the rule of the Punjab Roadways or of the Corporation, as the case may be, and the Member and his spouse or an attendant shall pay in cash for the excess luggage, if any, at the rates specified by the Punjab Roadways or by the Corporation, as the case may be.
- 8. Deposit Vouchers.- The conductor of the vehicle shall deposit the vouchers duly completed by him with the cashier in the office concerned of the Punjab Roadways or of the Corporation, as the case may be.
- 9. Payment.- The General Manager of each depot of the Punjab Roadways or the Corporation shall submit a bill alongwith vouchers for all journeys undertaken by a Member and his spouse or an attendant accompanying him during month to the Secretary in the following month, for payment.
- 10. Repeal and savings.- (I) The Punjab Legislative Assembly Members (Free Travel by Road Transport Services) Rules, 1972, are hereby repealed.
- (II) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the rules so repealed, shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of these rules.

APPENDIX PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLE JOURNEY VOUCHER.

PUNJAB ROADWAYS PEPSU PUNJAB ROADWAYS PEPSU ROAD TRANSPORT ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION **CORPORATION** Counterfoil Voucher Book No.____ Serial Book No. Serial No. No. ____ (To be filled in and retained by the (To be delivered to the Conductor Member) of the bus) Date of Journey Date of Journey _____. I am travelling alone/with my spouse/ I am travelling alone/with my attendant spouse/attendant From to From to ____ My Identity Card No. is My Identity Card No. is Member. Member. Punjab Legislative Assembly Punjab Legislative Assembly (To be filled in by the conductor) (To be filled in by the conductor Dated _____ and attached to the way bill) Dated Route No. Bus No. Route No. Bus No. Bus fare Bus fare Passenger tax, if any Passenger tax, if any Total:

Signature of the Conductor

Conductor's name and No.

Signature of the Conductor

Conductor's name and No.

Total: