

ORDINANCE NO. 3448

AN ORDINANCE to add a new subsection (14) to subsection (a) of Section 13-1-37 (WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY BUSES, RAIL TRANSIT CARS AND RAIL TRANSIT STATIONS, SCHOOL BUSES AND ALEXANDRIA TRANSIT BUSES -- PROHIBITED CONDUCT), of Chapter 1 (GENERAL OFFENSES), Title 13 (MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES) of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That a new subsection (14) be added to subsection (a) of Section 13-1-37 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, to read as follows:

Sec. 13-1-37 Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority buses, rail transit cars and rail transit stations, school buses and Alexandria Transit buses -- prohibited conduct.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any passenger or occupant aboard a passenger bus or rail transit car owned or operated by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA), by the Alexandria city public schools, or by the Alexandria Transit Company while the vehicle is transporting passengers in the city in regular route service or contract or charter service, or for any person within any rail transit station in the city, to:

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(14) stop, impede, interfere with or tamper with an escalator or elevator within or adjacent to a WMATA rail station or any part of the apparatus of such an escalator or elevator or to use an escalator or elevator emergency stop button, unless such action is taken by the person with the knowledge or the reasonable good faith belief that an emergency makes such action necessary to preserve and protect human life or valuable property, or unless such action is taken by a WMATA employee, contractor or contract employee pursuant to his authorized duties or by a government employee or official pursuant to his official duties.

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective upon the date and at the time of its final passage.

JAMES P. MORAN, JR.  
Mayor

Final Passage: April 21, 1990