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Internal motion

**7b4**

Resolution

Amendment

Title **Student discounts in public transportation in the Czech Republic**

Point of the agenda \_\_\_\_\_7b\_\_\_\_\_

Proposed by: SK RVS

Seconded by SRVS, ANOSR

Text:

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1 The Czech Ministry of Transport has recently put forward a proposal  
2 on abolishing the regulation on publicly subsidised discounts in public  
3 transportation. In case the proposal would be accepted, public and  
4 private transport companies will not have the obligation to offer any  
5 discounts to students. The current expenses of students in the Czech  
6 Republic on transportation are relatively high and the abolition of  
7 these discounts can raise the prices of public transportation  
8 significantly, which will have a considerable impact on the social and  
9 economic situation of students and their families. The proposal of the  
10 Czech Ministry of Transport directly deepens the already existing  
11 inequalities in access to higher education.

12 Moreover, this will affect not only students enrolled in higher  
13 education institutions, but also pupils and students in primary and  
14 secondary education institutions and therefore negatively influence  
15 the inclusive character of Czech higher education system in general.

16 ESU clearly recognises guaranteed public financial support of  
17 students' and learners' traveling expenses as an issue of public  
18 interest, because it helps to foster study mobility and reduce social  
19 and economic barriers within different regions and groups of  
20 learners.

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- 21 ESU therefore supports the position of SK RVS and urges the Czech
- 22 government to refuse the proposal of the Ministry of Transport and
- 23 to preserve the current system of students' and pupils' discounts.
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