

Subject Transit Adjudication Bureau Report, January 2023 – June 2025	Date July 22, 2025
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Board Action						Internal Approvals			
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1	Finance Committee	7/28/25	X			1	CFO		
2	MTA Board	7/30/25	X			2	General Counsel		

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Purpose

The purpose of this report is to provide the Finance Committee with an update on the activities and outcomes of the Transit Adjudication Bureau (TAB), as reflected through several Key Indicators. This report covers the period from **January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2025**.

TAB serves as the statutory administrative tribunal responsible for receiving, processing, adjudicating, and pursuing the collection of civil penalties resulting from the thousands of civil summonses issued annually for violations of the Transit and MTA Bus Company Rules of Conduct.

This report presents TAB's performance metrics and provides the Committee with data on the following Key Indicators:

- **The number of violations received by TAB.** Violations can be issued by either the NYPD, MTAPD or the NYCT Eagle Team.
- **The number and dollar amount of payments collected.** Regular payments are made by the respondents. State tax refunds are monies collected from garnishment of NYS tax refunds pursuant to a state program.
- **TAB's total revenues and expenses.**
- **The number of cases adjudicated.** A case is adjudicated when a respondent requests a hearing, and a determination is made by a hearing officer.

Prior to January 2025, the fine for all incidences of fare evasion on subways and buses was \$100. Effective January 1, 2025, the New York Public Authorities Law governing fines related to fare evasion was amended. Fines for fare evasion are now based on the number of violations committed during a four-year period:

- First offense: warning, no fine
- Second offense: \$100 fine, \$50 OMNY credit if fine is paid on time in full (or, for participants in the Fair Fares NYC program, \$50 fine, \$25 OMNY credit)
- Third offense and up: \$150 fine (or criminal violation) (or, for participants in the Fair Fares NYC program, \$75 fine)

Individuals who were not enrolled in the Fair Fares NYC program at the time of the fare evasion violation have one opportunity to get their fine waived by enrolling in the program. In the first half of 2025, approximately 85% of the fare evasion offenses resulted in warnings. As a result, both the number of case adjudications and the amount of money collected by TAB have decreased.

Key Indicators for January 2023 to June 2025:

		ANNUAL TOTALS	
Indicator	Jan. – Jun. 2025	2024	2023
Issuance Data			
Violations Issued	120,886	256,363	214,804
Payment Data			
Number of Payments	34,044	159,244	146,025
Regular	24,424	127,540	109,878
State Tax Refund	9,620	31,704	36,147
Amount Paid	\$3,711,151	\$16,231,832	\$16,107,698
Regular	\$2,149,126	\$11,399,544	\$10,121,477
State Tax Refund	\$1,562,025	\$4,832,288	\$5,986,221
Average Payment	\$109	\$101.93	\$110.31
Yield per NOV	\$31	\$63.32	\$74.99
Revenue/Expense Data			
Revenue	\$6,050,494	\$16,556,847	\$16,437,402
Expenses	\$3,001,192	\$5,495,179	\$5,006,584
Adjudications			
Total Cases Adjudicated	6,292	20,755	16,805

Note:

2025 violation counts were updated as of 7/21/2025. This includes fare evasion and other types of violations.

Recommendation:

None.