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<p>5 24-21 eComments submitted to the Committee on Transportation and Transit via the County Legislative Information Center (CLIC).</p> <p>*The Office of the County Clerk collects eComments via CLIC, and appends these official public records to Reference File No. 24-21 at the conclusion of each meeting.</p>	Scott Stieg	<p>Please enter into the meeting's records this comment: "Poor Ventilation of County Buses". The lack of windows that open to allow fresh air into busses is a threat to rider health, comfort and operating budget. 1. Threat to health: stale, unventilated air accumulates harmful viruses and other airborne pathogens from 100s of riders. 2. Threat to comfort: Unventilated buses accumulate unpleasant smells (particularly BO and pot smoke), and heat from riders and solar 'greenhouse' heat gain, requiring A/C compressors to run even on pleasant days, with 60-80 F temperatures. This does nothing for smells and often results in uncomfortably cold buses even in summer. 3. Threat to operating budget: Operating A/C significantly increases fuel cost/mile and, with proper ventilation, would be largely unnecessary on days with outside temperatures below, say 85 F. I suggest phasing in 2-4 rider-operated ventilation windows per bus to restore this feature lost in 'new' busses. Everywhere else in the world I've been, buses retain this feature even (and especially) on modern designs. Don't fear fresh air!</p>	Support	5/6/2024 13:04