

~~21.~~ 30. *Coordination of service.*

(a) *Action by Public Service Commission.*

*In order to carry out the legislative policy set forth in Section 29 of this Article, the Public Service Commission*

(1) *shall not grant any application, or any part thereof, for an operating permit or license, or renewal thereof, unless it finds, after notice and opportunity for hearing, that the route to be served and the service to be performed pursuant to said application, or any part thereof, will conform to the legislative policy set forth in Section 29 of this Article;*

(2) *upon application, complaint, or upon its own motion shall (i) direct private carriers to coordinate their schedules for service with the schedules for service performed by transit facilities owned or controlled by the Authority; (ii) direct private carriers to improve or extend any existing service or to provide additional service over additional routes; (iii) authorize a private carrier, pursuant to agreement between said carrier and the Authority, to establish and maintain through routes and joint fares for transportation to be rendered with transit facilities owned or controlled by the Authority and otherwise integrate its service with the service performed by the facilities owned or controlled by the Authority if, after notice and opportunity for hearing, it finds that such through routes and joint fares are required by the public interest; and (iv) in the absence of such an agreement with the Authority, direct a private carrier to establish and maintain through routes and joint fares with the Authority, if, after notice and opportunity for hearing, it finds that such through service and joint fares are required by the public interest; provided, however, that the Public Service Commission shall not authorize or require a private carrier to render any service, including the establishment or continuation of a joint fare for a through route with the Authority which is based on a division thereof between the Authority and private carrier which does not provide a reasonable return to the private carrier, unless the private carrier is currently earning a reasonable return on its operation as a whole in performing transportation subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission and, in determining the issue of reasonable return, the Public Service Commission shall take into account any income attributable to the carrier, or to any corporation, firm or association owned in whole or in part by the private carrier, from the Authority whether by way of payment for services or otherwise; provided, further, that no such order, rule or regulation of the Public Service Commission shall be construed to require the Authority to establish and maintain any through route and joint fare.*

(b) *Action by the Authority.*

*The Authority shall*

(1) *in cooperation with the private carriers and the Public Service Commission, coordinate, to the fullest extent practicable, the routes and service performed by its transit facilities with the routes and service performed by private carriers; and*

(2) *enter into agreements with the private carriers to establish and maintain, subject to approval by the Public Service Commission, through routes and joint fares and provide for the division*