

State of Misconsin 2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Hynek, BB0329 - Pupil transportation aid

FOR 2017-2019 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau EDUCATION

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

This bill increases the reimbursement rate to school districts and independent charter school operators for transporting a pupil who lives more than 12 miles from the school the pupil attends from \$300 per school year to \$365 per school year. The bill also eliminates the requirement that DPI reduce the amount of state aid a school district or independent charter school operator receives for transporting a pupil if the pupil is transported for less than a full school year because the pupil is not enrolled in the school district or independent charter school for the entire school year.

Finally, this bill increases the reimbursement rate to school districts for transportation to and from summer classes from \$4 to \$10 for a pupil who lives at least two miles but not more than five miles from the school the pupil attends and from \$6 to \$20 for a pupil who lives more than five miles from the school the pupil attends.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 121.58 (2) (a) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

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121.58 (2) (a) 4. For each pupil so transported whose residence is more than 12 miles from the school attended, \$275 <u>\$300</u> per school year in the <u>2014–15 2016–17</u> school year and <u>\$300</u> \$365 per school year thereafter.

SECTION 2. 121.58 (2) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:

121.58 (2) (am) State aid under par. (a) shall be reduced proportionately in the case of a pupil transported for less than a full school year because of nonenrollment. State aid for transportation shall not exceed the actual cost thereof. No state aid of any kind may be paid to a school district which charges the pupil transported or his or her parent or guardian any part of the cost of transportation provided under ss. 121.54 (1) to (3), (5), (6) and (10) and 121.57 or which willfully or negligently fails to transport all pupils for whom transportation is required under s. 121.54.

SECTION 3. 121.58 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

121.58 (4) STATE AID FOR SUMMER CLASS TRANSPORTATION. Annually on or before October 1 of the year in which transportation is provided under s. 118.50 (3) (b) or 121.54 (4), or under s. 121.54 (10) if the transportation is provided by the nonresident school district that a pupil attends under s. 118.51 or 121.84 (4), the school district clerk shall file with the department a report, containing such information as the department requires, on transportation provided by the school board to and from summer classes. Upon receipt of such report and if the summer classes meet the requirements of s. 121.14 (1) (a) 1. or 2., state aid shall be paid for such transportation. A school district which provides such transportation shall be paid state aid for such transportation at the rate of 4 ± 10 per pupil transported to and from public school whose residence is at least 2 miles and not more than 5 miles by the nearest traveled route from the public school attended, and 6 ± 20 per pupil transported to and from public school whose residence is more than 5 miles by the nearest traveled route from the public school attended, if the pupil is transported 30 days or more. The state aid shall be reduced proportionately if the pupil is transported less than 30 days.

SECTION 9335. Initial applicability; Public Instruction.

(1) PUPIL TRANSPORTATION AID. The treatment of section 121.58 (2) (am) and (4) of the statutes first applies to state aid for transportation provided in the 2017-18 school year.

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