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AN ACT to renumber 121.54 (2) (b) 2; to amend 121.54 (2) (b) 1 and 121.54 (2) (c); and to create 121.54 (2) (b) 2 of the statutes, relating to transportation of students by elementary school districts.

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

SECTION 1. 121.54 (2) (b) 1 of the statutes is amended to read:

121.54 (2) (b) 1. Except as provided in sub. (1) or otherwise provided in this subsection, the school board of each district operating high school grades shall provide transportation to and from the school he attends for each pupil residing in the school district who attends any elementary grade, including kindergarten, or high school grade at a private school located 2 miles or more from his residence, if such private school is a school within whose attendance area the pupil resides and is situated within the school district or not more than 5 miles beyond the boundaries of the school district measured along the usually traveled route.

SECTION 2. 121.54 (2) (b) 2 of the statutes is renumbered 121.54 (2) (b) 3.

SECTION 3. 121.54 (2) (b) 2 of the statutes is created to read:

121.54 (2) (b) 2. In lieu of transporting students under subd. 1 and paying for transportation under sub. (8) (b), an underlying elementary school district of a union high school district may elect, by resolution adopted at its annual or special meeting, to transport elementary school children who reside within the underlying district and qualify for transportation under subd. 1, in vehicles owned, operated or contracted for by the district. Once adopted, such a resolution may be repealed only upon one year's notice to the board of the union high school district of which the underlying district is a part. An elementary school district shall notify the union high school district of any action under this paragraph no later than June 15 preceding the school year in which the elementary school district's action takes effect.

SECTION 4. 121.54 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

121.54 (2) (c) An annual or special meeting of a common school district or union high school district, or the school board of a city school district or unified school district may determine to provide transportation for all or part of the pupils who reside in the school district to and from the nearest public school they are entitled to attend or the private school within or without the school district within whose attendance area they reside, but if transportation is provided for less than all such pupils there shall be reasonable uniformity in the minimum distance that pupils attending public and private schools will be transported. This Except for elementary school districts electing to furnish transportation under par. (b) 2, this paragraph does not permit the annual or special meeting or school board in a district operating only elementary

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grades to provide for the transportation of pupils attending private schools.
