



## 2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 345

May 21, 2007 - Introduced by Representatives MURSAU, M. WILLIAMS, GRONEMUS, A. OTT, WOOD, BIES, ALBERS, TOWNSEND, GARTHWAITE, MUSSER, DAVIS and GUNDERSON, cosponsored by Senators A. LASEE and SCHULTZ. Referred to Committee on Education.

1     **AN ACT to renumber** 121.58 (6); **to amend** 121.58 (6) (title); and **to create**  
2     121.58 (6) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** transportation aid to school districts.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Current law requires the Department of Public Instruction (DPI) to prorate state aid payments to school districts for transportation costs if the amount appropriated is insufficient to cover all eligible costs. Under this bill, if there is a balance in the appropriation after DPI pays all approved claims, DPI must distribute the balance to school districts on a prorated basis.

The bill also requires each school board, by February 1, 2009, to report to DPI the miles driven in the 2007-08 fiscal year to provide transportation to and from school for public and private pupils. Excluded from this calculation are transportation to and from extracurricular activities, the transportation of children with disabilities, shuttle services, and field trips. The bill directs DPI to submit a report summarizing the data to the legislature by May 1, 2009.

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

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

3     **SECTION 1.** 121.58 (6) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

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**SECTION 1**

1           121.58 (6) (title) ~~APPROPRIATION PRORATED;~~ PRORATION, DISTRIBUTION OF BALANCE.

2           **SECTION 2.** 121.58 (6) of the statutes is renumbered 121.58 (6) (a).

3           **SECTION 3.** 121.58 (6) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

4           121.58 (6) (b) If there is a balance in the appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (cr)  
5           in any fiscal year after the department has paid the full amount of approved claims  
6           under this section and s. 121.575, the department shall distribute the balance to  
7           those school districts entitled to state aid under this section, with each school district  
8           receiving a percentage of the balance equal to its percentage of the total approved  
9           claims.

10           **SECTION 4. Nonstatutory provisions.**

11           (1) ~~REPORT ON PUPIL TRANSPORTATION.~~ By February 1, 2009, each school board  
12           shall report to the department of public instruction the miles driven to provide  
13           transportation to and from school for public and private school pupils under section  
14           121.55 (1) of the statutes in the 2007-08 fiscal year, excluding transportation to and  
15           from extracurricular activities, the transportation of children with disabilities,  
16           shuttle services, and field trips. The department shall submit a report summarizing  
17           the data to the legislature in the manner provided under section 13.172 (2) of the  
18           statutes by May 1, 2009.

19           **SECTION 5. Initial applicability.**

20           (1) ~~TRANSPORTATION AID.~~ This act first applies to aid paid for transportation  
21           provided during the 2007-08 school year.

22    (END)