

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS19085

This trailer bill provides \$4.2 million to fully fund pupil transportation in Fiscal Year 2010. This bill is necessary due to the amendments to H256aa that would have eliminated field trips and other school activities from being reimbursable and limiting school districts to the cost per rider calculation in the pupil transportation funding cap. To fund the transportation programs with an additional \$4.2 million dollars required a corresponding decrease in the annual school district textbook allowance. Therefore, the moneys allocated per student for textbooks were decreased from the amount set in Section 6 of House Bill 325.

FISCAL NOTE

This trailer bill reduces the textbook allowance by \$4,200,000 to allow for a corresponding increase in the pupil transportation program.

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