

State of Misconsin 2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

1 AN ACT *to create* 121.58 (2) (cm) of the statutes; **relating to:** aid for transporting

2 pupils between school districts that share services.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill is explained in the Notes provided by the Joint Legislative Council in the bill.

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

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE: This draft was prepared for the Joint Legislative Council's Study Committee on Shared School District Services.

Under current law, when school boards enter into a shared services agreement that requires transportation of pupils in one of the school districts to attend a course offered in a school in another school district in the agreement, the school board or boards providing that transportation are not eligible to receive transportation aid for the cost of transporting those pupils.

This bill makes this type of transportation eligible for transportation aid beginning in the 2024–25 school year. Specifically, under the bill, school boards that provide transportation to pupils enrolled in a school district participating in a shared services agreement to attend a course offered in a school in another school district under the agreement are entitled to transportation aid. Under the bill, this aid must be paid at an unspecified dollar amount per school year per pupil transported in this manner. The bill provides that the per pupil per school year amount must be proportionally reduced if the transportation is provided for less than a full school year, based on the number of instructional days for which the transportation is provided. Finally, the bill increases the

amount appropriated for transportation aid in 2024–25 fiscal year, but does not include the amount.

Section 1. 121.58 (2) (cm) of the statutes is created to read:

121.58 (2) (cm) Beginning in the 2024–25 school year, a school board that has entered into an agreement to share services with one or more school boards shall be paid state aid for transportation the school board provides to pupils enrolled in a school district participating in the agreement to attend a course offered in a school in the school district as a shared service under the agreement. State aid under this paragraph shall be paid at the rate of \$XX per school year per pupil so transported. If the school board transports a pupil for less than a full school year, the amount of aid under this paragraph shall be reduced proportionally based on the number of instructional days for which the transportation is provided.

****Note: Please let me know what amount per pupil per school year the committee would like to provide for this type of transportation.

SECTION 2. Fiscal changes.

(1) AID FOR PUPIL TRANSPORTATION. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of public instruction under s. 20.255 (2) (cr), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2024–25 is increased by \$XXX,XXX to provide state aid for transportation under s. 121.58 (2) (cm).

****NOTE: Please let me know how much money the committee would like to appropriate for this purpose in the 2024-25 school year.

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