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HOUSE BILL 1428

Short Title: Activity Bus Replacement Funds.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Diamont; and Bowman.

Referred to: Appropriations.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF PRE-1977
ACTIVITY BUSES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Public Education \$1,512,167 for the 1989-90 fiscal year and \$1,512,167 for the 1990-91 fiscal year for the replacement of pre-1977 activity buses and for transportation supplies and equipment. The Department shall establish a formula for allocating these funds into accounts against which local school administrative units may draw an amount of funds that equals the amount of local funds provided for the primary purpose of replacing pre-1977 activity buses that were in actual operation on March 1, 1989. Each local school administrative unit account shall be funded at a minimum of \$16,000 and a maximum of \$32,000. After an administrative unit has replaced all of its pre-1977 activity buses that were in actual operation on March 1, 1989, the unit may use funds remaining in its account to provide transportation supplies and transportation equipment, but for no other purposes. Administrative units that operate activity vans may request a waiver from the State Board of Education to purchase vans that meet applicable National Transportation Safety Board safety standards. These units shall match State funds with local funds on the same basis as for activity buses.

It is the intent of the General Assembly that this appropriation be a one-time appropriation for the primary purpose of assisting local school administrative units in the replacement of pre-1977 activity buses that were in actual operation on March 1, 1989, which buses have been found to be unsafe for students.

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1989.