

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE DRH10420-LEz-339B (4/23)

Short Title: Funds for School Transportation. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Glazier, McLawhorn, Rapp, Tarleton (Primary Sponsors);
Blackwood, Faison, and McGee.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR SCHOOL
TRANSPORTATION AND TO STUDY THE ALLOTMENT FORMULA FOR
SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE JOINT
LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING
FORMULAS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
Department of Public Instruction the sum of forty-seven million dollars (\$47,000,000)
for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to cover increased fuel costs for the transportation of
pupils.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
Department of Public Instruction the sum of seven million five hundred thousand
dollars (\$7,500,000) for the 2008-2009 fiscal year to a fuel reserve to cover any
additional increases in fuel costs for the transportation of pupils.

SECTION 3. The Joint Legislative Study Committee on Public School
Funding Formulas, which was established on November 27, 2007, by the President Pro
Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives pursuant to
G.S. 120-19.6(a1), Rule 31 of the Rules of the Senate of the 2007 General Assembly,
and Rule 26(a) of the Rules of the House of Representatives of the 2007 General
Assembly, shall examine the equity of the transportation of pupils allotment formula
and develop options for:

- (1) Improving the formula's transparency and fairness, and
- (2) Limiting maximum ride times, while accounting for geographic
barriers and other concerns.

SECTION 4. This act becomes effective July 1, 2008.