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HOUSE BILL NO. 1269

Introduced by: Representatives Koskan and Juhnke and Senators Bogue and Benson

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide transportation aid to certain school districts.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

3 Section 1. Except as provided for in sections 2 and 3 of this Act, a school district is eligible
4 for transportation aid to be calculated according to the following steps:

5 Step 1. For each school district determine the total number of regular bus route miles for
6 buses owned by the district plus the total number of regular bus route miles for buses contracted
7 by the district.

8 Step 2. For each school district determine the daily average number of students transported
9 to and from school by district owned buses or contracted buses.

10 Step 3. For each school district determine the number of days bus service is provided by
11 district owned buses or contracted buses.

12 Step 4. Divide the result of step 1 by the result of step 2.

13 Step 5. Divide the result of step 4 by the result of step 3.

14 Step 6. Divide the result of step 5 by 2.

15 Step 7. Subtract 0.3 from the result of step 6.

16 Step 8. Subtract 0.3 from the result of step 7.

17 Step 9. Raise the result of step 8 to the 1.25 power.

1 Step 10. Multiply the result of step 9 times the result of step 2.

2 Step 11. Multiply the result of step 10 times 175.

3 Step 12. Divide the result of step 11 by 2.

4 The result of step 12 is the amount of transportation aid to which a school district is entitled.

5 Section 2. A school district is not eligible for aid under the provisions of this Act if the result
6 of steps 2, 7, or 8 is zero or a negative number.

7 Section 3. A school district is not eligible for transportation aid under the provisions of this
8 Act for fiscal year 2001 if the school district's ending general fund balance exceeds sixty percent
9 of its general fund expenditures for the previous school fiscal year. A school district is not
10 eligible for transportation aid under the provisions of this Act for fiscal year 2002 and thereafter
11 if the school district's ending general fund balance exceeds forty-five percent of its general fund
12 expenditures for the previous school fiscal year.

13 Section 4. The Department of Education and Cultural Affairs may promulgate rules pursuant
14 to chapter 1-26 to define bus route miles and average daily number of students transported and
15 to define general fund balances for the purposes for which the terms are used in this Act.