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MEMORANDUM

TO: Legislative Education Study Committee

FR: Eilani Gerstner

**RE: COMMITTEE REQUEST: PUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION: ZONAR
COMPANY REPRESENTATIVES**

At the June 2011 meeting of the Legislative Education Study Committee (LESC), the committee received a report from Legislative Finance Committee (LFC) staff on an LFC program evaluation of public school transportation. The program evaluation report raised issues regarding the purchase of Global Positioning Systems for school buses, including the payment of \$500,000 for maintenance costs to the contractor, Zonar, without Department of Information Technology approval.

During the presentation, a committee member requested that PED provide contact information for representatives from Zonar. In response, PED has provided the following two contacts:

- Don Carnahan (Bus Development for Pupil Transportation) (206) 818-0444; and
- William Brinton (Chief Marketing Officer) 1-877-843-3847.