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HOUSE BILL 679

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AMENDING THE CALCULATION OF  
TRANSPORTATION ALLOCATIONS; CHANGING THE CALCULATION OF MILES  
TRAVELED PER STUDENT TRANSPORTED.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 22-8-29.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1995,  
Chapter 208, Section 10) is amended to read:

"22-8-29.1. CALCULATION OF TRANSPORTATION ALLOCATION. --

A. The department [~~of education~~] shall calculate the  
transportation allocation for each school district in the  
following manner:

(1) group [~~local~~] school districts on the basis  
of the average square miles served per student transported in  
the prior year;

(2) in each group, calculate the prior year's

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1 average operational expenditure per student transported in each  
2 district;

3 (3) calculate the average for the group by  
4 taking the total prior year's expenditure for the group and  
5 dividing it by the number of students in the group;

6 (4) multiply the group average operational  
7 expenditure per student by the number of students transported on  
8 the fortieth day of the current year. Designate the product  
9 "A";

10 (5) add "A" to the mileage supplement. The sum  
11 of "A" and the mileage supplement is "B";

12 (6) for the 1995-96 and the 1996-97 school  
13 years, "B" shall not be less than ninety-five percent or more  
14 than one hundred fifteen percent of the district's previous  
15 year's operational allocation, provided that if "B" is less than  
16 ninety-five percent, "B" is deemed to equal ninety-five percent  
17 and if "B" is greater than one hundred fifteen percent, "B" is  
18 deemed equal to one hundred fifteen percent. Calculate "B"  
19 accordingly; and

20 (7) multiply "B" by the transportation  
21 distribution adjustment factor and maintain that "B" shall not  
22 be less than ninety-five percent or more than one hundred  
23 fifteen percent of the district's previous year's operational  
24 allocation.

25 B. For the 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000 school

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1 years, the transportation allocation for each school district  
2 shall not be less than ninety-five percent or more than one  
3 hundred fifteen percent of the 1996-97 school year's  
4 transportation allocation.

5 C. For districts transporting ~~[less]~~ fewer than  
6 seventy-five students, the department ~~[of education]~~ may  
7 ~~[utilize]~~ use alternative calculation methods to determine the  
8 transportation allocation pursuant to regulation of the state  
9 board. "

10 Section 2. Section 22-8-29.2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1995,  
11 Chapter 208, Section 11) is amended to read:

12 "22-8-29.2. GROUPING OF DISTRICTS--CALCULATION OF ~~[AVERAGE~~  
13 ~~SQUARE]~~ NUMBER OF MILES [SERVED] TRAVELED PER STUDENT  
14 TRANSPORTED. --

15 A. The department ~~[of education]~~ shall group school  
16 districts into not more than twelve groups. Groupings shall be  
17 made on the basis of the ~~[average square]~~ number of miles  
18 ~~[served]~~ traveled per student transported in the district in the  
19 ~~[prior]~~ current year on the fortieth day of school; provided,  
20 districts transporting ~~[less]~~ fewer than seventy-five students  
21 may be excluded from the groupings regardless of the ~~[average~~  
22 ~~square]~~ miles per student transported.

23 B. The ~~[average square]~~ number of miles [served]  
24 traveled per student transported shall be calculated by dividing  
25 the total ~~[square]~~ mileage ~~[served]~~ traveled by the district by

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1 the total number of students transported on the fortieth day of  
2 school in the following manner:

3 "[~~average square~~] miles per student transported = total  
4 [~~square~~] miles [~~served~~] traveled by the district ÷ the total  
5 students transported [~~in the prior year~~] on the fortieth day of  
6 school". "

# State of New Mexico House of Representatives

FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION, 1997

February 26, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with  
recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

1. On page 1, line 23, strike "average square miles served  
per student" and insert in lieu thereof "number of miles traveled  
per student".

2. On page 2, strike line 25 in its entirety and on page 3,  
strike lines 1 through 4 in their entirety.

3. Reletter the following subsection accordingly.

4. On page 3, line 25, before "the district" insert  
"students in".

5. On page 4, line 4, before "the district" insert "students  
in".,  
and thence referred to the APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE  
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Respectfully submitted,

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Samuel F. Vigil, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 9 For 0 Against

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Absent: None

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# State of New Mexico House of Representatives

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FIRST SESSION, 1997

March 1, 1997

Mr. Speaker:

Your APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE, to  
whom has been referred

HOUSE BILL 679, as amended

has had it under consideration and reports same with  
recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

1. On page 2, line 12, strike "1995-96 and the".

Respectfully submitted,

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Max Coll, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 8 For 2 Against

Yes: 8

No: Abeyta, Townsend

Excused: Bird, Buffett, Garcia, M H. , Knowles, Marquardt,  
Salazar, Watchman

Absent: None

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March 15, 1997

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10 Mr. President:

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recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

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Cynthia Nava, Chairman

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Yes: 4

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No: Nava, Rawson, Rodriguez,

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Excused: Boitano, Duran, Gorham

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Absent: None

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