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HB 1235

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB1235

House Education Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 01/23/01

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
#3	X		1500-2368
Committee Clerk Signature <i>[Handwritten Signature]</i>			

Minutes:

Chairman R. Kelsch, Vice-Chair T. Brusegaard, Rep. Bellew, Rep. Grumbo, Rep. Haas, Rep. Hanson, Rep. Hawken, Rep. Hunsakor, Rep. Johnson, Rep. Meier, Rep. Mueller, Rep. Nelson, Rep. Nottestad, Rep. Solberg, Rep. Thoreson

Chairman Kelsch: We will now open the hearing on HB1235

Rep. Hawken: (District 46) This bill is dealing with how we currently label buses. This bill has affectionately been known as 'a bus is a bus'.

Dan Huffman: (Asst. Superintendent with the Fargo school district) For years the Fargo public school district has transports thousands of kids that live within the incorporated city limits of Fargo. We've done that out of necessity, as a means for parents of children in the district to be able to get their children to our facilities. We've done it for safety reasons, because with the numbers of children we have in our buildings and the size of those buildings, it's a lot safer environment surrounding those schools; they have one or two buses dropping kids off as opposed

to 50-60-70 cars. We've done it so that children from single parent families and from two parent families where both parents work, actually have access to educational opportunities, and we did it out of conservation, because it is more energy efficient globally to transport hundreds of children in buses than one or two children in cars. For years, we received no state reimbursement for that transportation that we ran in the city limits. Two or three sessions ago, we were successful in getting recognition in getting these buses as a cost to the school district, and we began to receive a payment of \$.25 per mile for those large capacity buses that run inside our city limits. To us, there is no difference in running a large capacity bus whether it runs down a city street or a rural road, in fact, I think that one could certainly argue that it's probably less energy efficient to do the starts and stops inside a city than it is to run it down a highway. What we're asking is that all buses that transport kids be treated the same no matter what the capacity and whether or not it's inside or outside of the city limits. We have a very significant transportation system in Fargo. Our buses run 460,000 miles a year when you combine the miles we drive in the city limits and those we run on our rural routes. Over those miles, we transport between 2000 and 2500 students every day. We provide transportation to our larger attendance area elementary schools and to all of our secondary facilities.

Rep. Nottestad: If this bill would pass, what about districts that have the opportunity to contract with city bus services. Would that be incorporated into this?

Huffman: I do not believe so, because a city bus does not need the definition of a school bus for safety perspectives and all of those other kinds of things. A city bus route is not exclusively for the use of a school, and it doesn't meet the definition of school bus, so I do not believe it would.

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Rep. Thoreson: (District 13) This also runs a considerable amount in our district. In our particular situation, we have approximately 130,000 miles that we transport students, which, for our community is quite significant, and about 30,000 miles of that is within the city of West Fargo, and there again, we have to make up the difference in our school district, which takes away from other things that we would prefer to use that money for for educating our students.

Chairman Kelsch: We will now close the hearing in HB1235.

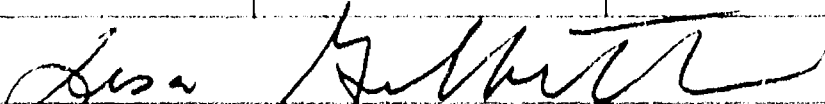
2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB1235 A

House Education Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 02/06/01

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
#9	X		723 to 1745
Committee Clerk Signature 			

Minutes:

Chairman R. Kelsch, Vice-Chair T. Brusegaard, Rep. Bellew, Rep. Grumbo, Rep. Haas, Rep. Hanson, Rep. Hawken, Rep. Hunskor, Rep. Johnson, Rep. Meier, Rep. Mueller, Rep. Nelson, Rep. Nottestad, Rep. Solberg, Rep. Thoreson

Chairman Kelsch: We will now take up HB1235. What are the wishes of the committee?

Rep. Brusegaard: I move a DO NOT PASS.

Rep. Bellew: Second.

Chairman Kelsch: Committee discussion.

The motion of DO NOT PASS does not pass with 7 YAY 8 NAY 0 ABSENT.

Chairman Kelsch: What are the wishes of the committee?

Rep. Hawken: I move a DO PASS.

Rep. Meier: Second.

Chairman Kelsch: Committee discussion.

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The motion of DO PASS does not pass with 7 YAY 8 NAY 0 ABSENT.

Chairman Kelsch: What are the wishes of the committee?

Rep. Brusegaard: I move a DO NOT PASS.

Rep. Bellevy: Second.

Chairman Kelsch: Committee discussion.

The motion of DO NOT PASS passes with 9 YAY 6 NAY 0 ABSENT

Floor Assignment: Rep. Brusegaard

FISCAL NOTE
 Requested by Legislative Council
 01/15/2001

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1235

Amendment to:

1A. State fiscal effect: *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	1999-2001 Biennium		2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$462,000	\$0	\$462,000	\$0
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$462,000	\$0	\$462,000	\$0

1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

1999-2001 Biennium			2001-2003 Biennium			2003-2005 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$462,000	\$0	\$0	\$462,000

2. Narrative: *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

This bill eliminates the in-city category for transportation reimbursement and allows reimbursement at the same rate as rural transportation.

3. State fiscal effect detail: *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. Revenues: *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

B. Expenditures: *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

The additional cost is estimated at \$.42 per mile (\$.67 rural - \$.25 in-city) x 550,000 annual in-city miles reimbursed. This comes to \$231,000 per year or \$462,000 for the biennium. No additional cost is associated with changing reimbursement from \$.40 per pupil day to \$.20 per ride.

C. Appropriations: *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.*

Name:	Jerry Coleman	Agency:	Public Instruction
Phone Number:	328-4051	Date Prepared:	01/16/2001

Date: 2/6/01
 Roll Call Vote #: 1

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House House Education Committee

Subcommittee on _____
 or
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Not Pass

Motion Made By Rep. Brusegaard Seconded By Rep. Bellew

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman-RaeAnn G. Kelsch		X	Rep. Howard Grumbo	X	
V. Chairman-Thomas T. Brusegaard	X		Rep. Lyle Hanson		X
Rep. Larry Bellew	X		Rep. Bob Hunsakor		X
Rep. C.B. Haas	X		Rep. Phillip Mueller	X	
Rep. Kathy Hawken		X	Rep. Dorvan Solberg		X
Rep. Dennis E. Johnson	X				
Rep. Lisa Meler		X			
Rep. Jon O. Nelson	X				
Rep. Darrell D. Nottestad		X			
Rep. Laurel Thoreson		X			

Total (Yes) 7 *Click here to type Yes Vote* No 8 *Click here to type No Vote*

Absent 0

Floor Assignment *Click here to type Floor Assignment*

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Date:
Roll Call Vote #: 2

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House House Education Committee

Subcommittee on _____
or
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do PASS

Motion Made By Rep. Hawken Seconded By Rep. Meier

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman-RaeAnn G. Kelsch		X	Rep. Howard Grumbo	X	X
V. Chairman-Thomas T. Brusegard		X	Rep. Lyle Hanson	X	
Rep. Larry Bellow		X	Rep. Bob Hunsakor	X	
Rep. C.B. Haas		X	Rep. Phillip Mueller		^
Rep. Kathy Hawken	X		Rep. Dorvan Solberg	^	
Rep. Dennis E. Johnson		X			
Rep. Lisa Meier	X				
Rep. Jon O. Nelson		X			
Rep. Darrell D. Nottestad	X				
Rep. Laurel Thoreson	X				

Total (Yes) 7 *Click here to type Yes Vote* No 8 *Click here to type No Vote*

Absent 0

Floor Assignment *Click here to type Floor Assignment*

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Date: 2/6/01
 Roll Call Vote #: 3

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House House Education Committee

Subcommittee on _____
 or
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Not Pass

Motion Made By Rep. Brusegaard Seconded By Rep. Bellew

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman-RaeAnn G. Kelsch	X		Rep. Howard Grumbo	X	
V. Chairman-Thomas T. Brusegaard	X		Rep. Lyle Hanson		X
Rep. Larry Bellew	X		Rep. Bob Hunsakor		X
Rep. C.B. Haas	X		Rep. Phillip Mueller	X	
Rep. Kathy Hawken		X	Rep. Dorvan Solberg	X	
Rep. Dennis E. Johnson	X				
Rep. Lisa Meler		X			
Rep. Jon O. Nelson	X				
Rep. Darrell D. Nottestad		X			
Rep. Laurel Thoreson		X			

Total (Yes) 9 *Click here to type Yes Vote* No 6 *Click here to type No Vote*

Absent 0

Floor Assignment *Click here to type Floor Assignment* Rep. Brusegaard

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
February 6, 2001 4:57 p.m.

Module No: HR-21-2543
Carrier: Brusegaard
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1235: Education Committee (Rep. R. Kelsch, Chairman) recommends DO NOT PASS
(9 YEAS, 6 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1235 was placed on the
Eleventh order on the calendar.