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HB 1331

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES
 BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1331
 House Education Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date January 21, 2003

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2	x		1600-3279
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Linda Liechtrner</i>			

Minutes: **Chairman Kelsch** opened the hearing on HB 1331

Rep. Timm from District 5

At the request of constituents in the Minot area I am bringing this bill forward. Transportation in the city of Minot.

Richard Larsen, Superintendent of Schools in Minot. See Attached Testimony

Rep. Haas Dr. Larsen, if this is passed, and you would start to transport the kids from this area.

Would you plan to continue that indefinitely or only until those families no longer need transportation?

Larsen: Our plan is to continue with the transportation into the future with no end point. And we have had some discussions over the past years concerning if we should be providing transportation to the entire city. This is certainly the first step. We can't at this time.

Kirk Welstad, School Board Member from Minot District.

As we get to the point in facing all the issues that we are with the declining enrollment and the closing of schools. We look at the needs and the people effected by the closing, we do not want

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to create any hardships for people as we move forward. And by not being able to provide transportation to the people, we would be creating some hardships. We don't want to get to the point that we can't provide for the people that we stand for. Encourage you support on 1331.

Rep. Mueller In solving the problem this way. Have you adopted some criteria that will help you determine which of those school settings in your district are going to serve by buses and which are not?

Welstead: I guess we are looking at things that will have certain criteria attached to it with regards to who will be served. The school that will be closed and start our focus at that particular school.

Rep. Jon Nelson I'm not familiar with where Jefferson Elementary is, sounds like it is on the east side. In that area you have two elementary districts outside the city of Minot, do they provide transportation?

Welstead: Yes they do, they cross district lines. The busing is an issue because it is offered in one and not the other. We have lost some kids out of our district because we don't offer transportation.


Rep. Jon Nelson There is lies my question. If you are providing a service from outside your district you would certainly be at risk to losing students if that is a issue with parents. On the practical side will you have pick up sites?

Welstead: At this point we are not sure.

Roger Schlotzve, School Board member of Minot District.

When I have been involved with schools closing, they become emotionally driven issues. And this is no different. A couple of things that we have not said yet is Sunnyside school, the far

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reaches of it, is about 3 miles from where we want to move students to and is about 30 blocks wide from Sunnyside, approx. 2 1/2 miles and is surrounded by Hwy 52 on the North and south by the Bypass and railroad that runs diagonally through it, and if your not familiar with this area is out by the Fair Grounds. When we met with the people of the area. The issues are many. But it boils down to two factors that they want to see if we close that school. That is the safety of their children and transportation. Transportation will meet most of those safety concerns. There are no connecting sidewalks, with highways, railroads and cross streets and two large tailor courts in that area.

Opposition - none

Chairman Kelsch Rep. Haas made the motion for DO PASS, second by Rep. Hawken.

no discussion

DO PASS 13-0-1 with Rep. Jon Nelson caring it to the floor.

Closed hearing on 1331.

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Date: 1/21/03
 Roll Call Vote #: 1

**2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
 BILL/RESOLUTION NO.**

House HOUSE EDUCATION Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number 1331

Action Taken DO PASS

Motion Made By Haas Seconded By Hawken

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Kelsch	✓				
Rep. Johnson	✓				
Rep. Nelson	✓				
Rep. Haas	✓				
Rep. Hawken	✓				
Rep. Herbel	AB				
Rep. Meier	✓				
Rep. Norland	✓				
Rep. Sitte	✓				
Rep. Hanson	✓				
Rep. Hunsakor	✓				
Rep. Mueller	✓				
Rep. Solberg	✓				
Rep. Williams	✓				

Total (Yes) 13 No 0

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Nelson

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
January 21, 2003 3:51 p.m.

Module No: HR-11-0870
Carrier: Nelson
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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1331: Education Committee (Rep. R. Kelsch, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS**
(13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1331 was placed on the
Eleventh order on the calendar.

(2) DESK, (3) COMM

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HR-11-0870

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BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1331

Senate Education Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 3-18-03

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1		x	14.1 - 30.0

Committee Clerk Signature *Andrea Johnson*

Minutes:CHAIRMAN FREBORG called the committee to order. Roll call was taken with all (6) members present.

CHARIMAN FREBORG opened the hearing on HB 1331 which relates to the transportation of students.

Testimony in support of HB 1331:

REPRESENTATIVE MIKE TIMM, Dist. 5, introduced this bill at the request of the Minot Superintendent of schools. This would allow a school to transport students from their elementary school to the elementary school they will attend when their school closes, but the school will not have to provide transportation to all students in that district.

RICHARD LARSON, Supt. of Schools, Minot, presented testimony. (see attached).

SENATOR FLAKOLL asked if there were discussions on transporting students who were closer or farther away as to the equality of it. MR. LARSON stated more parents provide transportation for the students than don't. This specific area is low income/high need area and needs the

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transportation by the district. SENATOR FLAKOLL asked if that means "all or nothing". MR. LARSON stated the transportation route is being established. There is also city busing available.

There was no opposition to HB 1331.

The hearing was closed on HB 1331.

SENATOR COOK moved a DO PASS. Seconded by SENATOR CHRISTENSON

Roll Call Vote: 6 YES. 0 NO. 0 Absent. Motion Carried.

Carrier: SENATOR LEE

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Date: 3/18/03
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1331

Senate EDUCATION Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Sen. Cook Seconded By Sen. Christenson

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
LAYTON FREBORG, CHAIR.	✓		LINDA CHRISTENSON	✓	
GARY A. LEE, V. CHAIR.	✓		RYAN M. TAYLOR	✓	
DWIGHT COOK	✓				
TIM FLAKOLL	✓				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Sen. Lee

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