

Overview of HF3937 (Bennett) House Education Policy Committee Monday, March 21, 2022

Background Information:

HF 3937 (Bennett) provides flexibility between nonpublic schools and school districts regarding transportation services.

This legislation gives nonpublic schools and school districts the opportunity for greater flexibility when transporting nonpublic students. Under this legislation, by mutual agreement, school districts and nonpublic schools may agree to an alternative transportation arrangement for transporting nonpublic school students.

This mutually beneficial flexibility was utilized when the Safe Learning Plan was in effect during the Peacetime Emergency Order during the 2020-21 school year. Once the Peacetime Emergency Order was lifted in July 2021, the Safe Learning Plan was no longer in effect and it is unclear if this flexibility is available to school districts and nonpublic schools.

This legislation would allow for this flexibility to be available permanently if both the school district and nonpublic school mutually agree.