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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill allows a school district to provide transportation between buildings to pupils of area learning centers if space exists on existing buses, clarifies the Department of Education's role in developing and maintaining model pupil training programs, and allows a school district to include in its special education costs certain transportation costs associated with field trips when a school bus with a power lift is required.

- 1 Area learning center pupils between buildings.** Broadens a school district's pupil transportation authority for students attending area learning centers by allowing the district to transport area learning center pupils between buildings if space exists on an existing bus.
- 2 Model training program.** Changes the Department of Education's responsibility from developing an age-appropriate comprehensive model of school bus safety training program to developing and maintaining a list of school bus safety training instructional materials.
- 3 Pupil transportation definitions.** Allows a school district to include in its special education costs the costs of using a school bus with a power lift for a curricular field trip if the lift is required by a student's disability. Includes an after school program run by a city or other political subdivision to be designated as a pupil's "home" for purposes of providing to and from school transportation.