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Overview

This bill allows school buses to be operated in non-pupil transportation for special one-day events.

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- 1 Pupil transport entity.** Defines “pupil transport entity” in the chapter on traffic regulations, to be a public school, including a charter school, or a private bus contractor that provides transportation for a school.
- 2 When signals not used.** Prohibits the operator of school bus who is driving under the special event provision (established in section 3 of the bill) from using the school bus stop-arm signal or special lights.
- 3 [169.4475] Special event school bus use.** Authorizes use of a school bus by a pupil transport entity for a special one-day event, without the school bus being required to be reregistered as a commercial bus. Makes the transportation under this provision subject to school bus regulations (as opposed to commercial motor vehicle regulations that generally apply to non-pupil transportation of passengers).
Establishes requirements governing the temporary school bus use, including: bus operation under contract with a nonprofit entity as part of a one-day special event, registration as a motor carrier of passengers, obtaining a temporary vehicle identification card, replacing the signage on the front and back of the bus, and only operating the bus with a properly endorsed commercial driver’s license.
- 4 Temporary vehicle use.** Allows issuance of temporary vehicle identification card for school buses used in a special event, as authorized in section 3 of the bill. Prevents commercial motor vehicle regulations from applying to such transportation.

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