

SENATE, No. 3787

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
220th LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by:
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District 39 (Bergen and Passaic)

SYNOPSIS

Provides Supplemental Transportation Growth Aid for school districts in 2023-2024 school year; appropriates \$31.6 million.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning State school aid and making an appropriation.

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3 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
4 *of New Jersey:*

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6 1. In addition to the amount of State school aid provided to a
7 school district for the 2023-2024 school year, the Commissioner of
8 Education shall provide Supplemental Transportation Growth Aid
9 to a school district. The amount of aid allocated to a school district
10 pursuant to this section shall equal the sum of:

11 a. the product of \$40 and the total number of regular education
12 public pupils and regular education nonpublic pupils eligible for
13 transportation pursuant to N.J.S.18A:39-1, excluding preschool
14 pupils except pupils that qualify for free full-day preschool pursuant
15 to section 12 of this P.L.2007, c.260 (C.18A:7F-54), and of special
16 education pupils eligible for transportation pursuant to
17 N.J.S.18A:46-23 with no special transportation requirements, who
18 are resident in the district as of the last school day prior to October
19 16 of the prebudget year; and

20 b. the product of \$275 and the total number of special education
21 pupils eligible for transportation pursuant to N.J.S.18A:46-23 with
22 special transportation requirements who are resident in the district
23 as of the last school day prior to October 16 of the prebudget year.

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25 2. There is appropriated from the Property Tax Relief Fund to the
26 Department of Education the sum of \$31,621,873 to effectuate the
27 purposes of this act.

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29 3. This act shall take effect immediately

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STATEMENT

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34 This bill requires the Commissioner of Education to provide
35 Supplemental Transportation Growth Aid to a school district, in
36 addition to the amount of State school aid the district is receiving in
37 the 2023-2024 school year. The amount of aid allocated to a school
38 district would be the sum of:

- 39 • \$40 multiplied by the number of students who are
40 transported without any special services; and
- 41 • \$275 multiplied by the number of special education students
42 who have special transportation requirements.

43 The bill appropriates the sum of \$31.6 million to provide for the
44 Supplemental Transportation Growth Aid.