

CHAPTER 62
TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS IN NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS

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AN ACT relating to the payment of claims for nonpublic school pupil transportation.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section two hundred eighty-five point two (285.2), unnumbered paragraph four (4), Code 1979, is amended to read as follows:

Claims for reimbursement shall be made to the department of public instruction by the public school district providing transportation or transportation reimbursement during a school year on a form prescribed by the department, and the claim shall state the services provided and the actual costs incurred. A claim shall not exceed the average transportation costs of the district per pupil transported. Claims shall be accompanied by an affidavit of an officer of the public school district affirming the accuracy of the claim. By February ~~± first~~ and by ~~June-15~~ July fifteenth of each year the department shall certify to the state comptroller the amounts of approved claims to be paid, and the state comptroller shall draw warrants payable to school districts which have established claims. Claims shall be allowed where practical, and at the option of the public school district of the pupil's residence, subject to approval by the area education agency of the pupil's residence, under the provisions of section 285.9, subsection 3, the public school district of the pupil's residence may transport any pupil to a school located in a contiguous public school district outside the boundary lines of the public school district of the pupil's residence. The public school district of the pupil's residence may contract with the contiguous public school district or with a private contractor under the provisions of section 285.5 to transport the pupils to the school of attendance within the boundary lines of the contiguous public school district. The public school district in which the pupil resides may contract with the contiguous public school district or with a private contractor under the provisions of section 285.5 to transport the pupil from the pupil's residence or from designated school bus collection locations to the school located within the boundary lines of the contiguous public school district, subject to the approval of the area education agency of the pupil's residence. The public school district of the pupil's residence may utilize the reimbursement provisions of section 285.1, subsection 3.

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