

Senate Amendment to
House File 499

H-1257

1 Amend House File 499, as passed by the House, as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause and
3 inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 321.1, subsection 69, paragraph d, Code
5 2019, is amended to read as follows:

6 d. ~~Designed~~ New or used motor vehicles designed to carry
7 not more than nine persons as passengers, including the driver,
8 or used passenger vans designed to carry not more than twelve
9 persons as passengers, including the driver, either school
10 owned or privately owned, which are used to transport pupils
11 to activity events in which the pupils are participants or
12 used to transport pupils to their homes in case of illness or
13 other emergency situations. The vehicles operated under the
14 provisions of this paragraph shall be operated by employees of
15 the school district who are specifically approved by the local
16 superintendent of schools for the assignment.

17 Sec. 2. Section 321.373, subsection 3, Code 2019, is amended
18 to read as follows:

19 3. a. The rules prescribed for school buses shall include
20 special rules for passenger automobiles, and other vehicles
21 designed to carry eight or fewer pupils, when used as school
22 buses.

23 b. The rules shall allow pickups designed to carry nine
24 passengers or less, including the driver, and weighing ten
25 thousand pounds or less, to be used as school buses if the
26 pickup does not carry more passengers than there are safety
27 belts or safety harnesses in the pickup as installed by the
28 manufacturer and if the pickup is not operated while any
29 passenger is present in the bed of the pickup. The operator
30 of the pickup shall comply with the qualification, licensing,
31 and instruction requirements set forth in sections 321.375 and
32 321.376, other than the requirement to obtain a commercial
33 driver's license. However, the rules shall allow the board of
34 directors of a school district to prohibit the use of pickups
35 as school buses by the school district.

1 c. The rules shall allow used passenger vans designed to
2 carry twelve or fewer passengers, including the driver, and
3 weighing ten thousand pounds or less, to be used as school
4 buses if the van does not carry more passengers than there are
5 safety belts or safety harnesses in the van as installed by
6 the manufacturer. The operator of the van shall comply with
7 the qualification, licensing, and instruction requirements set
8 forth in sections 321.375 and 321.376.

9 d. A pickup or passenger van operated pursuant to rules
10 described in paragraph "b" or "c" is subject to the limitations
11 set forth in section 321.1, subsection 69, paragraph "d".>

12 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 and 2 and inserting <An
13 Act allowing certain vans and pickups to be used to transport
14 pupils to activity events or from school to home in emergency
15 situations.>