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By COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

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Vote: Ayes 82 Nays 4 Vote: Ayes 38 Nays 5
Approved 6/18/76

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to transportation programs by providing
2 technical and capital assistance to political subdivisions
3 and public and private providers of transportation ser-
4 vices and by providing for the receipt and disbursement
5 of federal and private aid for public transit programs.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. For purposes of this Act, unless
2 the context otherwise requires:

3 1. "Transportation disadvantaged persons" means persons
4 who are sixty-five years of age and older, physically and
5 mentally handicapped persons, persons who are determined by
6 the department to be economically disadvantaged and other
7 persons or groups determined by the department to be
8 disadvantaged in terms of the transportation services that
9 are available to them.

10 2. "Department" means the state department of
11 transportation.

12 3. "Federal aid" means any federal grants, loans, or other
13 federal assistance whether or not state or local funds are
14 required to match or contribute toward the costs of the program
15 for which the aid is available.

16 4. "Private aid" means any grants, loans, or other assis-
17 tance available from nonprofit corporations, foundations,
18 and all private or nongovernmental sources, whether or not
19 state or local funds are required to match or contribute
20 toward the costs of the program for which the aid is available.

21 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. The department may, at the request
22 of a political subdivision provide the following technical
23 transportation assistance to the political subdivision:

24 1. An evaluation of existing urban and rural transportation
25 systems, including but not limited to an evaluation of rolling
26 stock, the costs of operation including the costs of fuel,
27 maintenance and personnel and the development of common
28 management and operating systems and procedures.

29 2. An analysis of existing urban and rural services
30 provided for transportation disadvantaged persons and the
31 service needs of transportation disadvantaged persons,
32 including an evaluation of specialized equipment required
33 to meet the service needs of transportation disadvantaged
34 persons.

35 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. The department may at the request

1 of a political subdivision, or public and private providers
2 of transportation services assist such providers in the
3 development of a fiscal and service plan which may be used
4 by political subdivisions to coordinate and consolidate all
5 forms of urban and rural transportation services, including
6 but not limited to, the following:

- 7 1. Public school transportation.
- 8 2. Senior citizen transportation.
- 9 3. Head start transportation.
- 10 4. Handicapped services.
- 11 5. Cab companies.
- 12 6. Common carriers.
- 13 7. Transportation services provided by private nonprofit
14 agencies to their clients or the general public.

15 Sec. 4. NEW SECTION.

16 1. The department shall compile and maintain current
17 information on available and pending federal and private aid
18 effecting urban and rural public transit programs. Public
19 and private providers applying for aid shall furnish a copy
20 of any application for federal or private funds to be used
21 for public transit programs and such other information as
22 the department may require pursuant to rule.

23 2. Upon request, the department shall provide assistance
24 to political subdivisions for federal aid applications for
25 urban and rural public transit program aid. The department
26 shall maintain current information reflecting the amount of
27 federal and private aid received by political subdivisions
28 of the state and the purpose for which such aid is received.
29 The department shall annually prepare a report to be submitted
30 to the general assembly, the office for planning and
31 programming, and to the governor, prior to February first
32 of each year, stating the receipts and disbursements made
33 during the preceding fiscal year and the adequacy of programs
34 financed by federal and private aid in the state. The
35 department shall analyze the programs financed and recommend

1 to political subdivisions methods of avoiding duplication
2 and increasing the efficacy of programs financed.

3 3. The department shall receive and distribute federal
4 aid to political subdivisions unless precluded by federal
5 statute, however the department shall not retain or redirect
6 any portion of funds received by the department for a
7 particular political subdivision. The department may designate
8 the political subdivision as the direct recipient of federal
9 aid.

10 Sec. 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of section eighteen
11 point one hundred fifteen (18.115), subsection five (5), of
12 the Code, vehicles and the titles to vehicles purchased by
13 the commission on the aging with federal funds provided
14 pursuant to Title three (III) of the Older Americans Act of
15 1965 (Public Law eighty-nine dash seventy-three (89-73)) as
16 amended by the Older Americans Comprehensive Services
17 Amendments of 1973 (Public Law ninety-three dash twenty-nine
18 (93-29)) shall be transferred by the state vehicle dispatcher
19 to local units of government and organizations specified by
20 the commission on the aging and the state department of
21 transportation at no cost to the local unit of government
22 or organization.

23 EXPLANATION

24 This bill requires the state department of transportation
25 to provide the following types of technical assistance to
26 political subdivisions and public and private transportation
27 service providers upon request:

28 1. Assistance to political subdivisions in evaluating
29 existing urban and rural transportation systems.

30 2. Assistance to political subdivisions in analyzing
31 existing urban and rural services for and the service needs
32 of transportation disadvantaged persons.

33 3. Assistance to political subdivisions and public and
34 private providers in developing a fiscal and service plan
35 which may be used by political subdivisions for coordinating

1 and consolidating transportation services.

2 4. Assistance to political subdivisions in applying for
3 federal and private aid.

4 This bill also provides that the state department of
5 transportation shall maintain records of, and analyze the
6 efficacy of federal and private aid for public transit
7 programs. This bill requires the department to receive and
8 distribute federal and private aid to political subdivisions
9 for public transit programs.

10 This bill further provides that the titles to vehicles
11 purchased by the commission on the aging with federal funds
12 which are used to provide transportation services for the
13 elderly shall be transferred to the local unit of government
14 or organization which administers the transportation program
15 at no cost.

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H-5610

- 1 Amend House File 1502 as follows:
- 2 Page 1, by striking in line four (4) the
- 3 words "sixty-five years of age and older,".

H-5610 FILED BY WELDEN of Hardin
MARCH 8, 1976 - *Adopted 5/3 (2375)*

H-5966

- 1 Amend House File 1502 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 2, line 4 by striking the words A
- 3 "and consolidate all" and line 5 by striking the
- 4 words "forms of urban and rural".
- 5 2. Page 2, by striking all of line 7. B

H-5966 FILED BY WELDEN of Hardin
MARCH 24, 1976 - *Adopted as amended by 6504 3/5 (2376)*

H-6297

- 1 Amend House File 1502 as follows:
- 2 Page 2, by striking line 7.

H-6297 FILED - *Withdrawn 5/3* BY DIELEMAN of Marion
APRIL 14, 1976 (2376)

HOUSE FILE 1502

H-6504

- 1 Amend the Welden amendment, H-5966, to House File
- 2 1502 as follows:
- 3 1. By striking lines 2 through 4 and inserting in
- 4 lieu thereof the following:
- 5 "1. Page 2, line 5, by inserting after the
- 6 word "services" the words "except public school
- 7 transportation"."

H-6504 FILED, ADOPTED (2375) BY HARPER of Davis
MAY 3, 1976 WELDEN of Hardin
KRAUSE of Palo Alto
DRAKE of Muscatine

HOUSE FILE 1502

H-6507

- 1 Amend House File 1502 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 1, line 4, by striking the second
- 3 word "and" and inserting in lieu thereof the word
- 4 "or".

H-6507 FILED, ADOPTED (2375) BY DRAKE of Muscatine
MAY 3, 1976

HOUSE FILE 1502

AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS BY PROVIDING TECHNICAL AND CAPITAL ASSISTANCE TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROVIDERS OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AND BY PROVIDING FOR THE RECEIPT AND DISBURSEMENT OF FEDERAL AND PRIVATE AID FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT PROGRAMS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1. An evaluation of existing urban and rural transportation systems, including but not limited to an evaluation of rolling stock, the costs of operation including the costs of fuel, maintenance and personnel and the development of common management and operating systems and procedures.

2. An analysis of existing urban and rural services provided for transportation disadvantaged persons and the service needs of transportation disadvantaged persons, including an evaluation of specialized equipment required to meet the service needs of transportation disadvantaged persons.

Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. The department may at the request of a political subdivision, or public and private providers of transportation services assist such providers in the development of a fiscal and service plan which may be used by political subdivisions to coordinate and consolidate all forms of urban and rural transportation services except public school transportation, including but not limited to, the following:

1. Senior citizen transportation.
2. Head start transportation.
3. Handicapped services.
4. Cab companies.
5. Common carriers.
6. Transportation services provided by private nonprofit agencies to their clients or the general public.

Sec. 4. NEW SECTION.

1. The department shall compile and maintain current information on available and pending federal and private aid effecting urban and rural public transit programs. Public and private providers applying for aid shall furnish a copy

of any application for federal or private funds to be used for public transit programs and such other information as the department may require pursuant to rule.

2. Upon request, the department shall provide assistance to political subdivisions for federal aid applications for urban and rural public transit program aid. The department shall maintain current information reflecting the amount of federal and private aid received by political subdivisions of the state and the purpose for which such aid is received. The department shall annually prepare a report to be submitted to the general assembly, the office for planning and programming, and to the governor, prior to February first of each year, stating the receipts and disbursements made during the preceding fiscal year and the adequacy of programs financed by federal and private aid in the state. The department shall analyze the programs financed and recommend to political subdivisions methods of avoiding duplication and increasing the efficacy of programs financed.

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Amendments of 1973 (Public Law ninety-three dash twenty-nine (93-29)) shall be transferred by the state vehicle dispatcher to local units of government and organizations specified by the commission on the aging and the state department of transportation at no cost to the local unit of government or organization.

DALE M. COCHRAN
Speaker of the House

ARTHUR A. NEU
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 1502, Sixty-sixth General Assembly.

DAVID L. WRAY
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved June 18, 1976

ROBERT D. RAY
Governor