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SENATE FILE

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the transportation of children participating
 2 in open enrollment.

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

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 EDUCATION

1 Section 1. Section 282.18, subsection 10, Code 1999, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 10. Notwithstanding section 285.1 relating to
4 transportation of nonresident pupils, the parent or guardian
5 is responsible for transporting the pupil without
6 reimbursement to and from a point on a regular school bus
7 route of the receiving district. However, a receiving
8 district may send school vehicles into the district of
9 residence of the pupil using the open enrollment option under
10 this section, for the purpose of transporting the pupil to and
11 from school in the receiving district, ~~if the boards of both~~
12 ~~the sending and receiving districts agree to this arrangement.~~
13 If the pupil meets the economic eligibility requirements
14 established by the department and state board of education,
15 the sending district is responsible for providing
16 transportation or paying the pro rata cost of the
17 transportation to a parent or guardian for transporting the
18 pupil to and from a point on a regular school bus route of a
19 contiguous receiving district unless the cost of providing
20 transportation or the pro rata cost of the transportation to a
21 parent or guardian exceeds the average transportation cost per
22 pupil transported for the previous school year in the
23 district. If the cost exceeds the average transportation cost
24 per pupil transported for the previous school year, the
25 sending district shall only be responsible for that average
26 per pupil amount. A sending district which provides
27 transportation for a pupil to a contiguous receiving district
28 under this subsection may withhold from the district cost per
29 pupil amount, that is to be paid to the receiving district, an
30 amount which represents the average or pro rata cost per pupil
31 for transportation, whichever is less.

32 EXPLANATION

33 This bill permits a receiving district to send a school
34 vehicle into the school district of residence to transport a
35 child open enrolled in the receiving district if the route

1 taken by the school vehicle meets with the approval of the
2 area education agency board of the district of the school
3 operating buses. Currently, the Code requires that both the
4 sending and receiving district agree to the transportation
5 arrangement.

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