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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 49

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3 A Resolution requesting the establishment of a
4 legislative interim study committee to review the
5 adequacy of school bus and school bus operator safety
6 requirements established in Code and administrative
7 rules.

8 WHEREAS, Iowa's public school districts transport
9 an average of 235,723 students to school each year
10 over 43,267,951 route miles; and

11 WHEREAS, though by far the safest mode for
12 transporting students is by school bus, recent
13 accidents indicate that opportunities may exist for
14 further improvements in safety requirements; NOW
15 THEREFORE,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
17 That the legislative council is requested to establish
18 an interim study committee to review the adequacy of
19 Iowa's school bus and school bus operator safety
20 requirements established in Code and administrative
21 rules, consider the adequacy of the requirements, to
22 determine whether further measures, including but not
23 limited to requiring all school buses to be equipped
24 with seat belts, are needed to protect children
25 transported by schools and school districts, and to
26 submit its findings and recommendations in a report to
27 the general assembly by December 15, 2005.

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