

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

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3 Regular Session, 1999  
4

*As Engrossed: S2/11/99*

## A Bill

Act 373 of 1999  
SENATE BILL 348

5 By: Senators Fitch, Mahony, Hill  
6 By: Representative T. Smith  
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### For An Act To Be Entitled

10 "AN ACT TO AMEND THE CALCULATION OF TRANSPORTATION AID  
11 FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

### Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO AMEND THE CALCULATION OF  
15 TRANSPORTATION AID FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS."  
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 6-20-1703 is amended to read as follows:

21 "6-20-1703. Calculation of transportation aid.

22 A local school district's base aid is determined by adding the school  
23 district's student aid and ~~depreciation~~ bus allowance using the worksheet for  
24 transportation in § 6-20-1716 and the formula components set forth in § 6-20-  
25 1704."  
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27 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 6-20-1704(c) and (d) pertaining to calculation  
28 of transportation aid components is amended to read as follows:

29 "(c) Calculation of ~~depreciation~~ bus allowance.

30 (1) Total ~~depreciation~~ bus allowance is determined by summing the  
31 following: for each category of bus seating capacity of approved  
32 transportation units, multiply the number of approved transportation units  
33 times the ~~allowable depreciation~~ allowance.

34 (2) To determine the number of approved transportation units for  
35 the current school year, use the number of approved transportation units  
36 operated in the previous year. Approved transportation units that run a double

1 or triple run are counted as one (1) unit.

2 (3) Activity buses, feeder buses, shuttle buses, and spare buses  
3 shall not be included for aid purposes.

4 (4) Approved transportation units may qualify for a an  
5 ~~depreciation~~ allowance based on bus seating capacity as follows:

6	7 Bus Seating Capacity	8 Allowance per Unit
9	89	\$4,400
10	83	\$4,100
11	77	\$3,800
12	71	\$3,500
13	65	\$3,200
14	59	\$3,100
15	53	\$3,000
16	47	\$2,900
17	41	\$2,800
18	35	\$2,700
19	23	\$2,500
20	Special units	\$2,400

21 (d) District's base aid amount. The district's base aid is determined  
22 by adding the total student aid and the total ~~depreciation~~ bus allowance."

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24 *SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 6-20-1707(b) and (c) pertaining to the*  
25 *maximum base aid is amended to read as follows:*

26 *"(b) If the maximum eligible average daily transported is less than the*  
27 *fleet seating capacity:*

28 *(1) Multiply the number of approved transportation units*  
29 *(excluding special units) times the maximum eligible average daily*  
30 *transported, including any adjustments for annexation and/or consolidation and*  
31 *divide by the fleet seating capacity.*

32 *(2) If transportation aid is funded in an amount less than nine*  
33 *million two hundred thousand dollars (\$9,200,000), ~~Multiply~~ the result from*  
34 *subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall be multiplied times fourteen thousand*  
35 *eight hundred dollars (\$14,800) and ~~add~~ added to the base aid for special*  
36 *units.*

1           (3) If transportation aid is funded in the amount of nine million  
 2 two hundred thousand dollars (\$9,200,000) or more, the result from subdivision  
 3 (b)(1) of this section shall be multiplied times sixteen thousand dollars  
 4 (\$16,000) and added to the base aid for special units.

5           (c) If the maximum eligible average daily transported is more than the  
 6 fleet seating capacity; ~~and-~~

7           (1) If transportation aid is funded in an amount less than nine  
 8 million two hundred thousand dollars (\$9,200,000), Multiply the number of  
 9 approved transportation units (excluding special units) shall be multiplied  
 10 times fourteen thousand eight hundred dollars (\$14,800) and ~~add~~ added to the  
 11 base aid for special units.

12           (2) If transportation aid in funded in the amount of nine million  
 13 two hundred thousand dollars (\$9,200,000) or more the number of approved  
 14 transportation units (excluding special units) shall be multiplied times  
 15 sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) and added to the base aid for special  
 16 units."

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 18           SECTION 4. Arkansas Code 6-20-1714(c)(2) pertaining to transportation  
 19 aid is amended to read as follows:

20           "(2) An indication of an inaccurate report may ~~by~~ be the basis for  
 21 an investigation by the State Department of Education."  
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23           SECTION 5. Arkansas Code 6-20-1715 is amended to read as follows:  
 24 "6-20-1715. Density chart.

25           (a) If transportation aid is funded in an amount less than nine million  
 26 two hundred thousand dollars (\$9,200,000) the density chart shall be as  
 27 follows:

Density	Rate per	Density	Rate per	Density	Rate per
	Student		Student		Student
0.1	\$265.12	3.1	\$212.32	6.1	\$159.52
0.2	\$263.36	3.2	\$210.56	6.2	\$157.76
0.3	\$261.61	3.3	\$208.80	6.3	\$156.00
0.4	\$259.84	3.4	\$207.04	6.4	\$154.24
0.5	\$258.08	3.5	\$205.28	6.5	\$152.48

1	0.6	\$256.32	3.6	\$203.52	6.6	\$150.72
2	0.7	\$254.56	3.7	\$201.76	6.7	\$148.96
3	0.8	\$252.80	3.8	\$200.00	6.8	\$147.20
4	0.9	\$251.04	3.9	\$198.24	6.9	\$145.44
5	1.0	\$249.28	4.0	\$196.48	7.0	\$143.68
6	1.1	\$247.52	4.1	\$194.72	7.1	\$141.92
7	1.2	\$245.76	4.2	\$192.96	7.2	\$140.16
8	1.3	\$244.00	4.3	\$191.20	7.3	\$138.40
9	1.4	\$242.24	4.4	\$189.44	7.4	\$136.64
10	1.5	\$240.48	4.5	\$187.68	7.5	\$134.88
11	1.6	\$238.72	4.6	\$185.92	7.6	\$133.12
12	1.7	\$236.96	4.7	\$184.16	7.7	\$131.36
13	1.8	\$235.20	4.8	\$182.40	7.8	\$129.60
14	1.9	\$233.44	4.9	\$180.64	7.9	\$127.84
15	2.0	\$231.68	5.0	\$178.88	8.0	\$126.08
16	2.1	\$229.92	5.1	\$177.12	8.1	\$124.32
17	2.2	\$228.16	5.2	\$175.36	8.2	\$122.56
18	2.3	\$226.40	5.3	\$173.60	8.3	\$120.80
19	2.4	\$224.64	5.4	\$171.84	8.4	\$119.04
20	2.5	\$222.88	5.5	\$170.08	8.5	\$117.28
21	2.6	\$221.12	5.6	\$168.32	8.6	\$115.52
22	2.7	\$219.36	5.7	\$166.56	8.7	\$113.76
23	2.8	\$217.60	5.8	\$164.80	8.8	\$112.00
24	2.9	\$215.84	5.9	\$163.04	8.9	\$110.24
25	3.0	\$214.08	6.0	\$161.28	9.0	\$108.48

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27 (b) If the transportation aid is funded in the amount of nine million  
 28 two hundred thousand dollars (\$9,200,000) or more the density chart shall be  
 29 as follows:

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<u>Density</u>	<u>Rate per</u>	<u>Density</u>	<u>Rate per</u>	<u>Density</u>	<u>Rate per</u>	
	<u>Student</u>		<u>Student</u>		<u>Student</u>	
34	0.1	\$272.12	3.1	\$219.32	6.1	\$166.52
35	0.2	\$270.36	3.2	\$217.56	6.2	\$164.76
36	0.3	\$268.60	3.3	\$215.80	6.3	\$163.00

1	<u>0.4</u>	<u>\$266.84</u>	<u>3.4</u>	<u>\$214.04</u>	<u>6.4</u>	<u>\$161.24</u>
2	<u>0.5</u>	<u>\$265.08</u>	<u>3.5</u>	<u>\$212.28</u>	<u>6.5</u>	<u>\$159.48</u>
3	<u>0.6</u>	<u>\$263.32</u>	<u>3.6</u>	<u>\$210.52</u>	<u>6.6</u>	<u>\$157.72</u>
4	<u>0.7</u>	<u>\$261.56</u>	<u>3.7</u>	<u>\$208.76</u>	<u>6.7</u>	<u>\$155.96</u>
5	<u>0.8</u>	<u>\$259.80</u>	<u>3.8</u>	<u>\$207.00</u>	<u>6.8</u>	<u>\$154.20</u>
6	<u>0.9</u>	<u>\$258.04</u>	<u>3.9</u>	<u>\$205.24</u>	<u>6.9</u>	<u>\$152.44</u>
7	<u>1.0</u>	<u>\$256.28</u>	<u>4.0</u>	<u>\$203.48</u>	<u>7.0</u>	<u>\$150.68</u>
8	<u>1.1</u>	<u>\$254.52</u>	<u>4.1</u>	<u>\$201.72</u>	<u>7.1</u>	<u>\$148.92</u>
9	<u>1.2</u>	<u>\$252.76</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>\$199.96</u>	<u>7.2</u>	<u>\$147.16</u>
10	<u>1.3</u>	<u>\$251.00</u>	<u>4.3</u>	<u>\$198.20</u>	<u>7.3</u>	<u>\$145.40</u>
11	<u>1.4</u>	<u>\$249.24</u>	<u>4.4</u>	<u>\$196.44</u>	<u>7.4</u>	<u>\$143.64</u>
12	<u>1.5</u>	<u>\$247.48</u>	<u>4.5</u>	<u>\$194.68</u>	<u>7.5</u>	<u>\$141.88</u>
13	<u>1.6</u>	<u>\$245.72</u>	<u>4.6</u>	<u>\$192.92</u>	<u>7.6</u>	<u>\$140.12</u>
14	<u>1.7</u>	<u>\$243.96</u>	<u>4.7</u>	<u>\$191.16</u>	<u>7.7</u>	<u>\$138.36</u>
15	<u>1.8</u>	<u>\$242.20</u>	<u>4.8</u>	<u>\$189.40</u>	<u>7.8</u>	<u>\$136.60</u>
16	<u>1.9</u>	<u>\$240.44</u>	<u>4.9</u>	<u>\$187.64</u>	<u>7.9</u>	<u>\$134.84</u>
17	<u>2.0</u>	<u>\$238.68</u>	<u>5.0</u>	<u>\$185.88</u>	<u>8.0</u>	<u>\$133.08</u>
18	<u>2.1</u>	<u>\$236.92</u>	<u>5.1</u>	<u>\$184.12</u>	<u>8.1</u>	<u>\$131.32</u>
19	<u>2.2</u>	<u>\$235.16</u>	<u>5.2</u>	<u>\$182.36</u>	<u>8.2</u>	<u>\$129.56</u>
20	<u>2.3</u>	<u>\$233.40</u>	<u>5.3</u>	<u>\$180.60</u>	<u>8.3</u>	<u>\$127.80</u>
21	<u>2.4</u>	<u>\$231.64</u>	<u>5.4</u>	<u>\$178.84</u>	<u>8.4</u>	<u>\$126.04</u>
22	<u>2.5</u>	<u>\$229.88</u>	<u>5.5</u>	<u>\$177.08</u>	<u>8.5</u>	<u>\$124.28</u>
23	<u>2.6</u>	<u>\$228.12</u>	<u>5.6</u>	<u>\$175.32</u>	<u>8.6</u>	<u>\$122.52</u>
24	<u>2.7</u>	<u>\$226.36</u>	<u>5.7</u>	<u>\$173.56</u>	<u>8.7</u>	<u>\$120.76</u>
25	<u>2.8</u>	<u>\$224.60</u>	<u>5.8</u>	<u>\$171.80</u>	<u>8.8</u>	<u>\$119.00</u>
26	<u>2.9</u>	<u>\$222.84</u>	<u>5.9</u>	<u>\$170.04</u>	<u>8.9</u>	<u>\$117.24</u>
27	<u>3.0</u>	<u>\$221.08</u>	<u>6.0</u>	<u>\$168.28</u>	<u>9.0</u>	<u>\$115.48"</u>

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29 SECTION 6. Arkansas Code 6-20-1716 is amended to read as follows:  
 30 "6-20-1716. Transportation worksheet.

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HIGH COST TRANSPORTATION AID WORKSHEET

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SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY

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1. Average Daily Transported \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Area \_\_\_\_\_

- 1 3. Density (ADT divided by area) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 4. Rate per Student (from § 6-20-1715) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 5. Student Aid (Rate per student times ADT) \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 6. ~~Depreciation~~ Bus Allowance: \_\_\_\_\_

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6 Seating	No.	Capaci ty		Al lowance	Al lowance
7 Capacity	Uni ts	of Fleet	Allowance	by Size	
8 89	_____	_____	\$4,400	_____	_____
9 83	_____	_____	\$4,100	_____	_____
10 77	_____	_____	\$3,800	_____	_____
11 71	_____	_____	\$3,500	_____	_____
12 65	_____	_____	\$3,200	_____	_____
13 59	_____	_____	\$3,100	_____	_____
14 53	_____	_____	\$3,000	_____	_____
15 47	_____	_____	\$2,900	_____	_____
16 41	_____	_____	\$2,800	_____	_____
17 35	_____	_____	\$2,700	_____	_____
18 23	_____	_____	\$2,500	_____	_____
19 Special	_____	_____	\$2,400	_____	_____
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21 TOTALS:	_____	_____	Allowance:	_____	_____

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23 7. Student aid plus total ~~depreciation~~ bus allowance \_\_\_\_\_

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25 8. Minimum Aid \_\_\_\_\_

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27 9. Maximum Aid \_\_\_\_\_

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29 10. Total Aid qualified for (between lines 8 and 9) \_\_\_\_\_

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31 11. Handi capped Aid: \_\_\_\_\_

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33 (a) No. Buses @ \$300 each \_\_\_\_\_

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35 (b) Wheel chair Lifts @ \$200 each \_\_\_\_\_

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- 1 (c) Children with disabilities @ \$25.00 each \_\_\_\_\_
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- 3 12. Disaster Aid. \_\_\_\_\_
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- 5 13. High Cost Adjustment Factor \_\_\_\_\_
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- 7 14. Total Transportation Aid \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 (line 10 plus line 11 plus line 12 minus line 13)
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- 10 15. Workshop Aid. \_\_\_\_\_
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- 12 16. Total Approved Aid (line 13 plus line 14) \_\_\_\_\_"
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14 SECTION 7. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
 15 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
 16 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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 18 SECTION 8. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
 19 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
 20 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
 21 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
 22 act are declared to be severable.

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 24 SECTION 9. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
 25 hereby repealed.

26 /s/ Fitch

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 29 APPROVED: 3/1/1999

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