
DIGEST

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HB No. 1188

Abstract: Provides guidelines and procedures applicable to the transportation of students in the Lafayette Parish school system on field trips within or outside the geographic boundaries of the school system using a school bus or an activity bus whether the school bus is owned by an employee of the school system or by the system. Provides for employee compensation for such trips and charges for fuel and other operations costs.

Proposed law provides (beginning with the 2010-2011 school year and continuing thereafter) that the following guidelines and procedures shall be applicable to the transportation of students in the Lafayette Parish school system on field trips within or outside the geographic boundaries of the school system using a school bus or an activity bus whether the school bus is owned by an employee of the school system or by the system:

- (1) A driver shall be paid not more than \$20 per hour for actual driving time and for not less than two hours driving time for any field trip. A driver shall be paid not more than \$10 per hour for any non-driving down time during the field trip up to a maximum of eight hours of such time within a 24 hour period.
- (2) For fuel and other operational costs, there shall be charge for the field trip of not more than one dollar per mile.
- (3) Funds received by the school system for fuel and other operational costs shall be dispersed as follows:
 - (a) If the school bus used is owned by the school system or an activity bus is used, the money shall remain with the school system to assist in equipment maintenance expenses.
 - (b) If the school bus is owned by a school system employee, the money shall be paid by the school system to the employee in the same manner as the employee's salary.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 17:62.1)