AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 618

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Amend Bill, page 1, line 15, by inserting after "AGREEMENTS;" 1 2 in charter schools, further providing for transportation; 3 Amend Bill, page 44, by inserting between lines 26 and 27 4 Section 13.1. Section 1726-A(a) and (a.1) of the act, amended July 11, 2006 (P.L.1092, No.114) and July 9, 2008 5 6 (P.L.846, No.61), are amended to read: 7 Section 1726-A. Transportation .-- (a) Students who attend a 8 charter school [located in their school district of residence], 9 a regional charter school of which the school district is a part [or a charter school] or a cyber charter school learning center 10 <u>located</u> in their school district of residence or located outside 11 district boundaries at a distance not exceeding ten (10) miles 12 by the nearest public highway shall be provided free 13 transportation to the charter school or cyber charter school 14 <u>learning center</u> by their school district of residence on such 15 dates and periods that the charter school is in regular session 16 whether or not transportation is provided on such dates and 17 periods to students attending schools of the district. 18 Transportation is not required for elementary students, 19 including kindergarten students, residing within one and one-20 half (1.5) miles or for secondary students residing within two 21 22 (2) miles of the nearest public highway from the charter school 23 in which the students are enrolled unless the road or traffic 24 conditions are such that walking constitutes a hazard to the 25 safety of the students when so certified by the Department of Transportation, except that if the school district provides 26 27 transportation to the public schools of the school district for elementary students, including kindergarten students, residing 28 29 within one and one-half (1.5) miles or for secondary students 30 residing within two (2) miles of the nearest public highway under nonhazardous conditions, transportation shall also be 31 provided to charter schools under the same conditions. Districts 32 33 providing transportation to a charter school outside the district and, for the 2007-2008 school year and each school year 34 35 thereafter, districts providing transportation to a charter 36 school within the district shall be eligible for payments under

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section 2509.3 for each public school student transported.

- 1 (a.1) (1) The school district of residence shall also
 2 provide free transportation as required for students to receive
 3 services provided by intermediate units under section 1725-A(4).
- 4 (2) In addition to any other requirements in this section,
 5 school districts of the first class shall provide transportation
 6 to students who attend a charter school if they are the same age
 7 or are enrolled in the same grade, grades or their grade
 8 equivalents as any of the students of the school district for
 9 whom transportation is provided under any program or policy to
 10 the schools of the school district.

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