

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2328 Session of
2010

INTRODUCED BY TALLMAN, CLYMER, DENLINGER, GOODMAN, KIRKLAND,
LONGIETTI, MILLER, MOUL, SAYLOR, SIPTROTH AND GROVE,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, MARCH 12, 2010

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
2 act "relating to the public school system, including certain
3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
5 laws relating thereto," in charter schools, further providing
6 for transportation.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 1726-A(a) of the act of March 10, 1949
10 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949,
11 amended July 9, 2008 (P.L.846, No.61), is amended to read:

12 Section 1726-A. Transportation.--(a) (1) Students who
13 attend a charter school located in their school district of
14 residence, a regional charter school of which the school
15 district is a part or a charter school located outside district
16 boundaries at a distance not exceeding ten (10) miles by the
17 nearest public highway shall be provided free transportation to
18 the charter school by their school district of residence on such
19 dates and periods that the charter school is in regular session

whether or not transportation is provided on such dates and periods to students attending schools of the district.

(2) Transportation is not required for elementary students, including kindergarten students, residing within one and one-half (1.5) miles or for secondary students residing within two (2) miles of the nearest public highway from the charter school in which the students are enrolled unless the road or traffic conditions are such that walking constitutes a hazard to the safety of the students when so certified by the Department of Transportation, except that if the school district provides transportation to the public schools of the school district for elementary students, including kindergarten students, residing within one and one-half (1.5) miles or for secondary students residing within two (2) miles of the nearest public highway under nonhazardous conditions, transportation shall also be provided to charter schools under the same conditions.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, a school district that does not transport resident school district students on a daily basis shall not be required to transport students who attend a charter school or regional charter school.

(4) Districts providing transportation to a charter school outside the district and, for the 2007-2008 school year and each school year thereafter, districts providing transportation to a charter school within the district shall be eligible for payments under section 2509.3 for each public school student transported.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.