

SENATE BILL NO. 594

BY SENATOR BROWN

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:158(I), relative to school transportation; to provide for the transportation
3 of certain students to certain technical colleges; to provide for responsibilities of city,
4 parish, and other local public school boards; to allow local school boards to assess
5 a fee to students using such transportation; to provide for exemptions; to provide for
6 the adoption of rules; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:158(I) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §158. School buses for transportation of students; employment of bus operators;
10 alternative means of transportation; improvement of school bus
11 turnarounds

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13 **I. (1) Each city, parish, and other local public school board may provide**
14 **transportation to any full-time student who is twenty years of age or younger**
15 **and attending a technical college campus, that is part of the Louisiana**
16 **Community and Technical College System, within the jurisdictional boundaries**
17 **of the local board. If the closest technical college campus is located outside the**
18 **jurisdictional boundaries of the local school board, the board may facilitate the**
19 **transportation or coordinate with neighboring boards to facilitate**
20 **transportation to the technical college campus.**

21 **(2) The local public school board where the student resides, may assess**
22 **a fee to each student utilizing the transportation services provided pursuant to**
23 **this Subsection, not to exceed the actual cost of providing such transportation,**
24 **including administrative costs.**

25 **(3) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education shall adopt**
26 **rules in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement**
27 **provisions of this Subsection.**

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(4) The provisions of this Subsection shall not apply to:

(a) Local public school boards in a parish with a population of more than three hundred thousand persons according to the most recent federal decennial census.

(b) Local public school boards in any parish that operates a parish-wide public transit system that provides sufficient service to meet the transportation needs of students attending technical colleges located in the parish.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____