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SENATE BILL 6652

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By Senators Finkbeiner and Johnson

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to school bus improvement; adding a new section to
- 2 chapter 28A.160 RCW; and making an appropriation.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 28A.160
- 5 RCW to read as follows:
- 6 Certain school districts are in areas that have road conditions
- 7 requiring special features on buses to transport students safely.
- 8 Therefore, the school bus improvement grant program is established.
- 9 The purpose of the program is to provide grants for school districts to
- 10 purchase school buses if a district can demonstrate that, due to
- 11 terrain, climate, or road conditions, the district requires buses with
- 12 features in addition to the minimum requirements under RCW 28A.160.200.
- 13 Districts with fewer than three thousand students may apply to the
- 14 office of the superintendent of public instruction for the funds.
- 15 These funds shall not become part of the allocation formula under RCW
- 16 28A.160.200. The funds may be used to purchase buses immediately or
- 17 may be deposited in the district's transportation vehicle fund for the
- 18 immediate purchase of buses in their fleet.

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- 1 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** The sum of one million dollars, or as much
- 2 thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for the biennium ending
- 3 June 30, 1997, from the general fund to the superintendent of public
- 4 instruction for the purposes of this act.

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