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By Representatives Forner, Vance, Marshall and Paris
On page 61, after line 27, insert the following:

"(4) Within the appropriations in this section, the state energy office shall convene a school bus compressed natural gas fuel advisory committee. The committee shall be chaired by the director of the state energy office or a designee and the following shall be invited to be members: the superintendent of public instruction or a designee; the director of the department of ecology or a designee; two members of the house, one from each caucus, appointed by the speaker of the house; two members of the senate, one from each caucus, appointed by the president of the senate; two members representing school districts appointed by the director of the state energy office and one member representing a natural gas local distribution company. energy office shall, with the guidance of the advisory committee, analyze and report on the potential benefits, costs, and safety risks associated with increasing the use of compressed natural gas as a fuel for school buses. The report shall address: the anticipated operation and maintenance costs of compressed natural gas school buses in comparison to diesel fuel and gasoline school buses; (b) factors affecting the safety of passengers, drivers, mechanics, and other persons using compressed natural gas school buses in comparison to diesel fuel and gasoline school buses; (c) capital costs, including: (i) the

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- availability and capital cost of purchasing new compressed
- natural gas school buses, (ii) the feasibility and capital cost
- of retrofitting diesel and gasoline school buses, and (iii)
- 4 capital costs associated with fuel storage and refueling; and (d)
- other considerations, including air quality benefits, needed to
- determine the total costs, problems, and benefits of increasing
- 7 the use of compressed natural gas as a fuel for school buses.
- 8 The state energy office shall submit a report to the
- 9 appropriations and environmental affairs committees of the house
- of representatives and the ways and means and environment and
- natural resources committees of the senate by December 1, 1991,
- and the school bus compressed natural gas fuel advisory committee
- shall be disbanded as of that date."

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- By Representative Phillips
- On page 119, beginning on line 25, strike all of subsection
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- 18 Renumber remaining subsections consecutively.

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EFFECT: Transfers a study of the use of natural gas fueled school buses from the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to the State Energy Office. Creates a temporary committee to oversee the study.

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