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HOUSE BILL 1225 Committee Substitute Favorable 5/14/97

Short Title: School Transportation.

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Referred to:

## May 5, 1997

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO ALLOW LOCAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNITS TO PICK UP
3	AND DISCHARGE PUPILS AT PLACES DESIGNATED BY PARENTS.
4	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
5	Section 1. G.S. 115C-242(1) reads as rewritten:
6	"(1) A school bus may be used for the transportation of pupils enrolled in
7	and employees in the operation of the school to which such bus is
8	assigned by the superintendent of the local school administrative unit.
9	Except as otherwise herein provided, such transportation shall be
10	limited to transportation to and from such school for the regularly
11	organized school day, and from and to the points designated by the
12	principal of the school to which such bus is assigned, for the receiving
13	and discharging of passengers. Upon the written request of a pupil's
14	parent or guardian, a pupil may be transported from a location other
15	than the pupil's residence to the pupil's school and from the pupil's
16	school to a location other than the pupil's residence so long as the
17	location is within the school attendance zone and on an established bus
18	route assigned to that school, including turnaround zone, provided, the
19	local board of education is not required to provide transportation to and

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1	from a location within one and one-half miles from the school in which
2	the child is enrolled. No pupil or employee shall be so transported upon
3	any bus other than the bus to which such pupil or employee has been
4	assigned pursuant to the provisions of this Article: Provided, that
5	children enrolled in a Headstart program which is housed in a building
6	owned and operated by a local school administrative unit where school
7	is being conducted may be transported on public school buses, so long
8	as the contractual arrangements made cause no extra expense to the
9	State: Provided further, that children with special needs may be
10	transported to and from the nearest appropriate private school having a
11	special education program approved by the State Board of Education if
12	the children to be transported are or have been placed in that program by
13	a local school administrative unit as a result of the State or the unit's
14	duty to provide such children with a free appropriate public education."
15	Section 2. Local boards of education may adopt policies by August 15, 1997,
16	to implement this act.
17	Section 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 1997.