Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2408

Introduced by

Senators Taylor, Flakoll, Mathern

Representatives Mueller, Nelson, Solberg

- 1 A BILL for an Act relating to school district transportation grants for biodiesel fuel usage; and to
- 2 provide an appropriation.

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## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

## SECTION 1. TRANSPORTATION GRANTS - DISTRIBUTION.

- During the first year of the 2007-09 biennium, the superintendent of public instruction shall calculate the payment to which each school district is entitled based on the state transportation formula as it existed on June 30, 2001, except that the superintendent shall:
  - Provide reimbursement for in-city mileage at the rate of fifty cents for schoolbuses having a capacity of ten or more students; and
  - b. Provide reimbursement for vehicles having a capacity of nine or fewer students and for transporting students who live outside the incorporated limits of a city at the rate of forty cents per mile.
- 2. During the second year of the 2007-09 biennium, the superintendent of public instruction shall distribute to each school district the same amount the district received under this section for transportation services provided during the first year of the biennium, except the superintendent shall increase the reimbursement by five cents for each mile driven by a diesel-powered bus if the district demonstrates that at least five percent of all no. 2 diesel used for the transportation of students, either by the district directly or through contractual arrangements, is one hundred percent biodiesel, otherwise known as B100.
- **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$750,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the superintendent of public instruction for the purpose of

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- 1 providing grants to school districts using biodiesel fuel, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007,
- 2 and ending June 30, 2009.