

**Senate Education  
HB1027**

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Chairman Schaible and members of the committee, my name is Wayde Sick, State Director of the Department of Career and Technical Education. I am submitting testimony in support for HB1027, but also would like to also propose a few amendments.

The amendments are all within Section 3 of bill, which starts on page 3. The first proposed amendment is in Section 3, subsection 1, which reads "*The superintendent of public instruction shall pay each school district transporting students to and from schools in other school districts and to and from schools within the district for vocational and technical education courses offered through cooperative arrangements approved by the state board for career and technical education.*" Although, I believe the intent is there for the payment of transportation of students from a school district to an area career and technical center, I am concerned if area career and technical centers are not referenced in statute, the Department of Public Instruction may not have the authority to fund that transportation. My recommendation is to amend line 20 on page 4 in this way:

*The superintendent of public instruction shall pay each school district transporting students to and from schools in other school districts, area career and technology centers, and to and from schools within the district for vocational and technical education courses offered through cooperative arrangements approved by the state board for career and technical education:*

The second proposed amendment is on page 3 line 21. The word vocational should be replaced with career. This will align language in statute that has eliminated the expression vocational and technical education to career and technical education.

The final proposed amendment is on page 4, line 7. This again would replace the word vocational with career.

This concludes my testimony and I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Thank you.