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Good morning Vice Chairman Elkin and Senate Education Committee. For the record My name is Senator Don Schaible, District 31. I am here to day to introduce HB 1027. This bill was the product of the Education Funding Committee this last interim of which I was the chairman.

The idea of this bill was for the state not to pay for transportation of an open enrollment student or tuition waver students outside of the residential district of where that student would live. That seemed like a simple bill to write and of course that was not the case. To make that simple change in code, we found out that existing language that we had and the current practice of how transportation was accounted for was different. This bill tries to correct that language with what we have been currently doing for years. Section 1 through 5 does that. Section 6 addresses the issue of cost of transportation outside on a student's district.

Dustin Assel of Legislative Council will walk through the sections of this bill and provide the rational of the changes suggested. With Mr. Chairman I would try to answer any questions that the committee may have.