



## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2013 and 2014

HB4612

by Rep. Ron Sandack

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

105 ILCS 5/29-20 new

Amends the Transportation Article of the School Code. Provides that any 2 or more school districts that share the same boundaries may combine transportation activities to achieve savings to these school districts as well as this State. Provides that for any school districts electing to combine such transportation, the State Board of Education shall reimburse the school districts in an amount in addition to any other transportation reimbursement or other moneys owed to the school districts. Sets forth provisions concerning calculating the reimbursement, dividing the reimbursement, entering into contracts, and applying for reimbursement. Effective July 1, 2014.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section  
5 29-20 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/29-20 new)

7 Sec. 29-20. Transportation for school districts with  
8 coterminous boundaries. Any 2 or more school districts that  
9 share the same boundaries may combine transportation  
10 activities to, in addition to the variety of economic,  
11 environmental, and traffic safety benefits, achieve savings to  
12 these school districts as well as this State. For any school  
13 districts electing to combine such transportation, the State  
14 Board of Education shall reimburse the school districts in an  
15 amount in addition to any other transportation reimbursement or  
16 other moneys owed to the school districts. In calculating this  
17 reimbursement, the State Board of Education shall reimburse  
18 school districts in the year following the year in which  
19 savings were achieved in an amount deemed equal to 75% of the  
20 actual or estimated savings achieved by this State from any  
21 reductions in other reimbursement the consolidation achieved.  
22 This additional reimbursement must be divided between or among  
23 the school districts by a percentage equal to the percentage of

1 the total student population made up by each district's  
2 population. School districts may jointly enter into any  
3 contract not otherwise prohibited by this Article with other  
4 coterminous school districts or transportation providers to  
5 achieve these savings. In applying for reimbursement under this  
6 Section, school districts shall use forms prescribed by the  
7 State Board of Education, accompanied by any information  
8 requested by the State Board of Education or deemed useful by  
9 the school districts, including historic transportation  
10 information, mileage reductions, or information provided by  
11 vendors or consultants.

12 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,  
13 2014.