House



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate . Comm: RCS . 04/01/2014 . .

The Committee on Community Affairs (Thrasher) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 43 - 133

and insert:

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<u>shall</u> correct <u>the condition</u> such hazardous conditions within a reasonable period of time.

(b) Upon a determination pursuant to <u>subsection (3)</u> this section that a <u>hazardous walking</u> condition <u>exists</u> is <u>hazardous</u> to students, the district school <u>superintendent</u> board shall request a position statement with respect to correction of such



11 condition determination from the state or local governmental 12 entity with having jurisdiction over the road. Within 90 days 13 after receiving such request, the state or local governmental 14 entity shall inform the district school superintendent regarding whether the entity will include correction of the hazardous 15 16 walking condition in its next annual 5-year capital improvements 17 program hazard will be corrected and, if so, when correction of 18 the condition will be completed. If the hazardous walking condition will not be included in the state or local 19 20 governmental entity's next annual 5-year capital improvements 21 program, the factors justifying such conclusion must be stated 22 in writing to the district school superintendent and the 23 Department of Education regarding a projected completion date.

(c) State funds shall be allocated for the transportation of students subjected to <u>a hazardous walking condition</u>. However, such hazards, provided that such funding shall cease upon correction of the <u>hazardous walking condition</u> hazard or upon the projected completion date, whichever occurs first.

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(3) IDENTIFICATION OF HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS.-

30 (a) When a request for review is made by to the district 31 school superintendent with respect to a road over which a state 32 or local governmental entity has jurisdiction or the district 33 school superintendent's designee concerning a condition perceived to be hazardous to students in that district who live 34 35 within the 2-mile limit and who walk to school, such condition 36 shall be inspected jointly by a representative of the school 37 district, and a representative of the state or local 38 governmental entity with that has jurisdiction over the 39 perceived hazardous location, and a representative of the

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40	municipal police department for a municipal road, a
41	representative of the sheriff's office for a county road, or a
42	representative of the Department of Transportation for a state
43	road. If the jurisdiction is within an area for which there is a
44	metropolitan planning organization, a representative of that
45	organization shall also be included. The governmental
46	representatives shall determine whether the condition
47	constitutes a hazardous walking condition as provided in
48	subsection (2). If the governmental representatives concur that
49	a condition constitutes a hazardous walking condition as
50	provided in subsection (2), they shall report that determination
51	in writing to the district school superintendent who shall
52	initiate a formal request for correction as provided in
53	subsection (4).
54	(b) If the governmental representatives are unable to reach
55	a consensus, the reasons for lack of consensus shall be reported
56	to the district school superintendent, who shall provide a
57	report and recommendation to the district school board. The
58	district school board may initiate an administrative proceeding
59	under chapter 120 seeking a determination as to whether the
60	condition constitutes a hazardous walking condition as provided
61	in subsection (2) after providing at least 30 days' notice in
62	writing to the local governmental entities having jurisdiction
63	over the road of its intent to do so, unless within 30 days
64	after such notice is provided, the local governmental entities
65	concur in writing that the condition is a hazardous walking
66	condition as provided in subsection (2) and provide the position
67	statement pursuant to subsection (4). If an administrative
68	proceeding is initiated under this paragraph, the district



69	school board has the burden of proving such condition by the
70	greater weight of evidence. If the district school board
71	prevails, the district school superintendent shall report the
72	outcome to the Department of Education and initiate a formal
73	request for correction of the hazardous walking condition as
74	provided in subsection (4). The district school superintendent
75	or his or her designee and the state or local governmental
76	entity or its representative shall then make a final
77	determination that is mutually agreed upon regarding whether the
78	hazardous condition meets the state criteria pursuant to this
79	section. The district school superintendent or his or her
80	designee shall report this final determination to the
81	Department.
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84	And the title is amended as follows:
85	Delete lines 16 - 21
86	and insert:
87	condition to correct the condition within a reasonable
88	period of time; providing requirements for a
89	governmental entity relating to its capital
90	improvements program; providing

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