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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

The 1995 legislature eliminated categorical funding for pupil transportation services. The average amount of transportation revenue that school districts received was added to the general education basic formula allowance. In addition, a new component of general education revenue, called transportation sparsity revenue was added to help fund the costs of pupil transportation services in sparsely populated school districts.

This bill restores categorical funding for transportation services through the creation of a levy for unreimbursed transportation costs.

### Section

- 1 Pupil transportation levy.** Establishes a new levy for school districts to cover a school district's unreimbursed pupil transportation expenses. Sets the amount of the levy equal to the school district's costs for providing transportation services in the second previous year including a depreciation expense. Subtracts from the gross levy the amounts the district receives for transporting special education students, nonpublic students the amount of its general education transportation sparsity revenue, desegregation revenue, and any pupil transportation fees.