



**House
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SCHOOL BOARD RESTRICTIONS

**House Bill 6015 with committee
amendments
First Analysis (12-10-96)**

**Sponsor: Rep. David Jaye
Committee: Appropriations**

THE APPARENT PROBLEM:

Currently, under the State School Aid Act, there is a provision requiring the forfeiture of funds equal to the amount expended by a local or intermediate school district for the purchase, lease, or rental of cars for board members for use within district boundaries. Some people believe there should also be a financial disincentive for providing other driving services or bodyguards for school board members or administrators.

THE CONTENT OF THE BILL:

House Bill 6015 would amend the State School Aid Act to provide for a financial penalty for the provision of "other driving services" (in addition to chauffeurs) or for the provision of bodyguards or other personal security services on a permanently assigned basis for school administrators or board members. Currently, the penalty for such actions is forfeiture of an amount of school aid equal to the amount of money spent on such items; the bill would provide, instead, for forfeiture of five percent of the local or intermediate district's total state school aid allocation for the next fiscal year.

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FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

Fiscal information is not available.

ARGUMENTS:

For:

Some people believe that certain school districts have misused public funds by providing for extravagant "chauffeur-driven" limousines and bodyguards for school board members and high-ranking administrators. This practice ought to stop.

POSITIONS:

There are no positions on the bill.

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