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Senate Bill 1398 (as introduced 8-13-02)
Sponsor: Senator Joanne G. Emmons
Committee: Education

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Pupil Transportation Act to allow a boarding school to own and use motor buses for transportation of pupils to or from school-related events. In addition, a boarding school could own and use motor buses for the transportation of pupils to and from school if the transportation took place not more than 10 times in a calendar year. The bill also specifies that the definition of "school bus" under the Act would not include a motor bus as used by a boarding school under these provisions.

Under the bill, "boarding school" would mean that term as defined in the Revised School Code, i.e., a place accepting five or more children under 16 years of age for board, care, and instruction.

Under the Act, "motor bus" means that term as defined in the Motor Bus Transportation Act. That Act defines "motor bus" as a self-propelled motor vehicle used in the transportation of passengers and their baggage for hire upon any public highway of this State with a maximum seating capacity of 16 people or more, including the driver.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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