

HB 319-FN - FINAL VERSION

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HOUSE BILL

319-FN

AN ACT relative to the responsibility of local school districts to provide transportation for pupils in kindergarten.

SPONSORS: Rep. Ammon, Hills. 42; Rep. Post, Hills. 42

COMMITTEE: Education Funding

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill removes the requirement that school districts provide transportation to half-day kindergarten students.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struck through.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Transportation of Pupils. Amend RSA 189:6 to read as follows:

2 189:6 Transportation of Pupils. The local school district shall furnish transportation to ***full-day*** pupils
3 in kindergarten through grade 8 who live more than 2 miles from the school to which they are assigned.
4 The local school district may furnish transportation to pupils in ***half-day kindergarten programs, full-day***
5 kindergarten through grade 8 who live 2 miles or less from the school to which they are assigned, and to
6 pupils in grades 9 through 12, when it finds that this is appropriate, and shall furnish it when so directed by
7 the commissioner of education.

8 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

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11 VETOED June 3, 2025 | Veto Sustained December 17, 2025

HB 319-FN- FISCAL NOTE
AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE (AMENDMENT #2025-0345h)

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated Political Subdivision Impact				
	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditures	\$0	Indeterminable		

METHODOLOGY:

 This bill removes the requirement that school districts provide transportation to half-day kindergarten students. Any impact this bill may have on local school districts is indeterminable and would vary from district to district.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

 Department of Education