

(b) The transportation allocation of a county may not be reduced because of compliance with this section.--}-

8-412.

(a) [If the enrollment and transportation are approved by the State Superintendent, each] EACH county board shall provide or arrange for the transportation during the regular school year of each handicapped child WHO IS in a PLACEMENT APPROVED IN CONFORMITY WITH SECTIONS 8-403, 8-406, AND 8-409 OF THIS SUBTITLE AND APPLICABLE BYLAWS OF THE STATE BOARD AND STANDARDS IN:

(1) [Public] A PUBLIC school;

(2) [School] A SCHOOL maintained by a State agency; and

(3) A nonpublic school [that is approved as a special education facility by the Department].

(b) The county board of the county in which the handicapped child resides shall certify and pay the cost of his daily or other reasonable transportation to school under the rules and regulations adopted by the [State Superintendent] STATE BOARD if:

(1) The school is outside this State or the county in which the child resides; and

(2) State aid has provided for the education of the child under this subtitle.

(c) The rules and regulations adopted by the [State Superintendent] STATE BOARD shall take into consideration any hardship cases that reasonably may require additional expenses to guarantee adequate transportation during the regular school year.

[(d) The State shall reimburse a county from the general funds of the State for providing transportation under this section.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981.

Approved May 19, 1981.

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(Senate Bill 3)

AN ACT concerning