HB 2326 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

Action Date:	04/01/19
Action:	Do pass and be referred to Student Success by prior reference
Vote:	8-0-1-0
Yeas:	8 - Alonso Leon, Doherty, Helt, Neron, Reardon, Reschke, Sollman, Wallan
Exc:	1 - Hernandez
Fiscal:	Fiscal impact issued
Revenue:	No revenue impact
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Meeting Dates:	3/18, 4/1

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates \$2,500,000 from General Fund to transportation grant program awarded to school districts when district does not receive any distribution in State School Fund for transit activities. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Clarification on how grant program would impact activities buses
- Effect of transportation package, including one percent of \$130 million going to student transit
- Necessity for legislation to dedicate transportation funds to other districts
- Summary of transportation bill, House Bill 2017, to provide access to transportation for school districts

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

House Bill 4130 (2018) established a matching grant fund for school district to offset transportation costs. It allocated \$250,000 to fund the matching provision, allowing a dollar-for-dollar match. House Bill 2326 funds the program using \$2,500,000 from the General Fund.