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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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(Nonpublic school children-aid-calculation)

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CHAPTER: 120

Bill No: S522

Sponsor(s): Van Wagner

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Committee: Assembly: Education

Senate: Education

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**SENATE, No. 522****STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1984 SESSION

By Senator VAN WAGNER

AN ACT concerning education and amending P. L. 1977, c. 193.

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 2 *of New Jersey:*

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 2 to read as follows:

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 4 transportation *or the maintenance of vehicular classrooms*, the  
 5 board of education *of a district in which a nonpublic school is lo-*  
 6 *cated* shall provide for such transportation *and maintenance* and  
 7 the cost shall be paid from State aid received by the district **[pur-**  
 8 **suant to]** *for the purpose of this act.*

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 2 to read as follows:

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 4 *November 5* thereafter, each board of education shall forward to  
 5 the commissioner an estimate of the cost of providing, during the  
 6 next school year, examination, classification and speech correction  
 7 services to nonpublic school children *\*who attend a nonpublic school*  
 8 *located within the district, and\* who have been identified as eligible*  
 9 *to receive the services pursuant to this act as of the last school day*  
 9A *in October.*

10 In preparing the budget for the 1979-80 school year and each  
 11 year thereafter, each board of education shall include as an ex-  
 12 penditure the estimated cost of providing examination, classifica-  
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 14 pursuant to this act.

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**is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

**Matter printed in italics thus is new matter.**

**Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:**

**\*—Senate committee amendment adopted February 23, 1984.**

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17 aid in an amount equal to such estimated cost of providing exami-  
18 nation, classification and speech correction services to nonpublic  
19 school children pursuant to this act.

20 During the 1979-80 school year and each year thereafter, each  
21 district shall receive an amount of State aid equal to 10% of such  
22 estimated cost *on the first day in September and on the first day*  
23 *of each month during the remainder of the school year. If a board*  
24 *of education requires funds prior to September, the board shall*  
25 *file a written request with the Commissioner of Education stating*  
26 *the need for the funds. The commissioner shall review each request*  
27 *and forward those for which need has been demonstrated to the*  
28 *appropriate officials for payment.*

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30 pated, the district's State aid shall be adjusted accordingly during  
31 the second year following the receipt of aid pursuant to this act]  
32 *by any district are less than the amount of State aid received, the*  
33 *district shall refund the unexpended State aid after completion of*  
34 *the school year. The refunds shall be paid no later than December*  
35 *1. In any year, a district may submit a request for additional aid*  
36 *pursuant to P. L. 1977, c. 193 (C. 18A:46-19.1 et al.). If the request*  
37 *is approved and funds are available from refunds of the prior year,*  
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#### STATEMENT

This statutory change would change the method by which the number of nonpublic school children eligible for services is calculated so that the count is based on actual numbers rather than an estimate. In addition, aid would be allocated on the same basis. Also, this statute would allow for aid to be dispensed prior to the school year if the board of education requires such funds for start-up purposes.

Also, transportation aid and support for the maintenance of vehicles used to provide services would be paid to the district in which the nonpublic school is located.

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ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 522**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 21, 1984

The Assembly Education Committee favorably reports this bill and endorses the Senate Education Committee Statement which reads as follows:

This bill makes the following changes in the statutes which provide remedial services for handicapped children in nonpublic schools.

1. State aid will be allocated on the basis of actual numbers rather than on the estimated number of pupils.

2. Aid will be dispensed in 10 monthly installments beginning on September 1st of each year. Also, a board of education can request funds prior to the school year if needed.

3. The board of education of the district in which the nonpublic school is located will be responsible for the provision of transportation and the maintenance of vehicular classrooms and will receive State aid for that purpose.

4. If expenditures are less than those anticipated, the district must refund any unexpended State aid after the end of the school year. Those refunded balances could then be used to provide current year aid for districts which require additional funds.

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 522**

with Senate committee amendments

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: FEBRUARY 23, 1984

This bill makes the following changes in the statutes which provide remedial services for handicapped children in nonpublic schools.

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments are technical in nature.