



Health Impact Review Request Form

Date of request: 12 / 10 / 2019

Requester: Representative Kilduff

Note: Health impact reviews may only be requested by the Governor or a legislator.

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What is the subject of the Health Impact Review?

Bill

Number:

Title:

Relating to limiting the exposure of public school students and school personnel to diesel emissions from school bus engines

Bill Draft

Draft Number:

H-3400.2/20 2nd Draft

Decision Package

If possible, please attach a copy of the relevant portion/aspect of what you are

Budget Proposal

requesting to be reviewed.

Other: _____

Should the Health Impact Review analyze the entire proposal or only a portion?

Entire

Portion

If only a portion, please describe what portion(s) the review should analyze.

Requested completion date: 01 / 08 / 20

If requesting less than a ten-day turnaround during session or less than a 60-day turnaround during the interim, please explain the reasons for the request (for example, needing a review completed in time for a committee hearing).

Please consider completing the optional section on the back of this form, which will give the Board a sense of why this review has been requested.

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~ Optional ~

Please consider completing this optional section, which will give the Board a sense of why this review has been requested.

NOTE: When conducting a health impact review, the Washington State Board of Health will consider various ways that a proposal might exacerbate or ameliorate health disparities. Completing this section will give the Board a head start by helping it understand the reasons why a review is being requested.

Briefly describe how you think the proposal might impact health disparities and whether you believe the impact will be in a positive or negative direction.

Diesel exhaust is linked to being carcinogenic and young respiratory systems are particularly susceptible to environmental pollution. We believe this proposal will aide positively in limiting diesel exhaust exposure to students and educational professionals through reasonable actions to reduce unnecessary school bus idling.

In short this bill will:

•Directs the OSPI, in consultation with the Departments of Ecology and Health to, by September 1, 2021, adopt rules to limit the exposure of students and school personnel to diesel emissions from school bus engines;

•Specifies that the rules must establish limits on the idling of school bus engines while the buses are on school property or are otherwise engaged in providing student transportation, and may include other requirements to lessen the exposure of students and school personnel to diesel emissions from school bus engines. The rules must be revised periodically, especially in response to idle reduction technologies and alternative fuel sources that are or may be employed in school buses in Washington;

•Specifies that the rules must, with limited exceptions, require district compliance by September 1, 2022, and include potential exemptions, including exemptions necessary for weather conditions, health and safety issues, and vehicle maintenance;

•Allows school districts to adopt additional requirements to limit the exposure of students and school personnel to diesel emissions from school buses; and

•Allows school districts to maintain, enforce, and modify locally adopted requirements enacted before the effective date of the act if those requirements substantially conform with and do not diminish or otherwise impair OSPI's rules, or if they exceed the requirements established by rule.

Are there specific organizations or community groups you would like the Board to contact as part of this review if time allows?

**Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction,
Department of Health
Department of Ecology
American Lung Association
Environmental Protection Agency (cited)
Washington Education Association
Washington State School Directors' Association
Association of WA Principals
Climate Solutions
Jt. Counsel of Teamsters 28 (Bus Drivers)
Public School Employees of Washington**

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