By:  Lucio S.B. No. 462

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COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Taylor            X

Lucio                X

Bettencourt          X

Hall                 X

Hughes               X

Menéndez             X

Paxton                         X

Perry                          X

Powell               X

Schwertner           X

West                 X

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 462 By:  Lucio

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to funding under the transportation allotment for transporting meals and instructional materials to students during a declared disaster.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Section 48.151, Education Code, is amended by amending Subsection (h) and adding Subsection (n) to read as follows:

(h)  Funds allotted under this section must be used in providing transportation services. Transporting a meal or instructional materials as provided by Subsection (n) is included in transportation services under this subsection.

(n)  For the duration of a declared disaster, a school district located in an area that is wholly or partly the subject of a disaster declaration by the governor under Chapter 418, Government Code, or by the president of the United States shall be reimbursed on a per-mile basis for the cost of transporting a meal or instructional materials to a student's residence or to another location, designated by the district, for pick up by the student. To be reimbursed under this subsection, a school district must submit the district's proposed route to the commissioner for approval before transporting the meal or instructional materials.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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