

HB 2133 -- Coordinating Council on Special Transportation

Sponsor: Baker (25)

This bill requires the Coordinating Council on Special Transportation to:

- (1) Develop and maintain a consolidated inventory of all transportation providers operating within the state;
- (2) Review and evaluate the transportation policies of each agency to determine the most efficient methods for facilitating the coordination of transportation services;
- (3) Make recommendations addressing the standards of financial and activity reporting and the contents of interagency agreements; and
- (4) Administer the Coordinated Specialized Transportation Incentive Fund, which is created in the bill to be used solely for the administration of two pilot projects.

The Department of Transportation is required to establish a pilot project in Boone County and one in a third classification county selected by the department. To be eligible to receive moneys from the fund, the two counties participating in the pilot projects must establish in consultation with the individual county's metropolitan planning organization or regional planning commission an advisory transportation coordinating committee which is required to submit to the coordinating council a plan for cost-effective coordination of specialized transportation services in the planning district or localities within the planning district. Single localities may appoint an advisory transportation coordinating committee independent of the planning district commission and receive specialized transportation incentive funds if the locality is located in a regional planning district in which all other localities are recipients of the federal funds and subject to the provisions of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act. The advisory transportation coordinating committee will oversee the coordination and administration of the specialized transportation with human services agencies; participating public transportation systems; and, where appropriate, with private for-profit and not-for-profit transportation providers.

The advisory transportation coordinating committees will be composed of elderly and disabled persons, providers of specialized transportation systems, participating public transportation systems, and local private for-profit and not-for-profit transportation providers.