

To: Education Committee
From: Krista Robinson
Written only Proponent of HB2485

Mr. Chairman and the members of the Education Committee, please support Bill HB2485 — Requiring free bus transportation of certain students when no safe pedestrian route is available.

Currently my 3rd grader has no safe walking or biking route to get to school. He attends Wolf Springs Elementary School on W 175th in south Overland Park. This school is on a 2-lane road with no shoulder and no sidewalk.

Asking our precious children to walk along this 45 mph road, twice a day, is absurd and deadly. We are 2.3 miles from the school and are required to pay bus fees, even though there are no other options for safe transportation to school. There is no safe pedestrian route.

My daughter attends Aubry Bend Middle School, also on W 175th, and she receives free bussing. My son is a freshman at Blue Valley Southwest High School on W 175th St and also receives free bussing. Why wouldn't students who attend Wolf Springs Elementary be afforded this free safe transportation option too? It just doesn't make sense.

Please do everything that it takes to get Bill 2485 passed.

Regards,

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