# **KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

# **STAFF NOTE**

## **Action/Consent Item:**

2016 Kentucky Minimum Specifications for School Buses

### **Applicable Statute or Regulation:**

KRS 156.153, 702 KAR 5:060

## **Action Question:**

Should the Kentucky Board of Education approve the 2016 Kentucky Minimum Specifications for School Buses?

### History/Background:

*Existing Policy*. The Kentucky Board of Education is required to approve the Kentucky Minimum Specifications for School Buses in accordance with 702 KAR 5:060, Section 2. The Division of District Support annually reviews the Kentucky Minimum Specifications for School Buses and revises the specifications when experience, model changes, manufacturing techniques, and product improvement indicate that revision and updating is necessary. Attached is a summary of the proposed revisions and a detailed description of the changes. The full document is available upon request.

## **Staff Recommendation(s) and Rationale(s):**

Staff recommends the board approve the 2016 Kentucky Minimum Bus Specifications for School Buses. The Pupil Transportation section received input in February and March 2015 from meetings of the Kentucky Bus Specification Committee, which is composed of district transportation professionals. This input was used in revising the specifications. The revisions provide necessary updates to the specifications.

### **Impact on Getting to Proficiency:**

Annual review and revisions to bus specifications are necessary for student safety.

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