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Consent Agenda Item (Action Item): Increase the costs-per-mile reimbursement rate that schools pay to the district for transportation costs.

<u>Applicable State or Regulations</u>: KRS 162.90 General Power and Duties of the Local Board of Education.

<u>Fiscal/Budgetary Impact</u>: Due to rising transportation costs—including fuel, hourly wages, and bus maintenance—there is a need to increase the costs-per-mile reimbursement rate that schools pay to the district. This adjustment will help reduce the financial burden the district incurs for transportation each year.

<u>History/Background</u>: School districts throughout Kentucky use the "Cost Per Mile Calculation" tool provided by the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) to estimate the reimbursement rate individual schools should pay the district for travel expenses. While this tool offers a suggested dollar amount per mile, the actual reimbursement rate is ultimately determined by the local board of education. The rate determined by the local board may be higher or lower than the KDE's estimated cost per mile.

Recommended Action: Schools currently reimburse the district at a rate of \$0.92 per mile for transportation. It is recommended that this rate be increased to \$1.40 per mile, bringing it more in line with the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) guidelines.

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