

1 A RESOLUTION urging members of the Kentucky House of Representatives to
2 consider the shortage of public school bus drivers in school districts throughout Kentucky
3 when considering restrictions on reemployment of retirees in any pension reform
4 legislation.

5 WHEREAS, there is a shortage of qualified public school bus drivers in school
6 districts across Kentucky; and

7 WHEREAS, there are a large number of public retirees residing in Kentucky; and

8 WHEREAS, without an adequate number of public school bus drivers, some school
9 districts may have to cut or consolidate public school bus routes, thereby lengthening the
10 amount of time students are on a bus instead of studying; and

11 WHEREAS, the public school bus driver shortage happening across our nation
12 affects students above all else and can have an adverse impact on public education; and

13 WHEREAS, work as a public school bus driver would be ideal for retired or semi-
14 retired public employees who have the time and a strong work ethic; and

15 WHEREAS, serving as a school bus driver is an underrated and unappreciated
16 occupation, but nevertheless, a vital one since public school bus drivers are responsible
17 for ensuring the safety of Kentucky's school children while transporting them to their
18 schools and returning them home each school day; and

19 WHEREAS, such positions of responsibility can be filled with seasoned,
20 responsible people as retired Kentucky public employees;

21 NOW, THEREFORE,

22 ***Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the***
23 ***Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

24 ➔Section 1. The members of the Kentucky House of Representatives are urged to
25 consider the shortage of public school bus drivers in school districts throughout the state
26 as the House of Representatives considers pension legislation that could restrict
27 reemployment of retirees.