



PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM RATIONALE

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Commissioner of Education

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PROPOSED AGENDA ITEM: Grant Authority for the Commissioner to Adopt the Hearing Draft for Rule 92 (92 NAC 92) *Regulations Governing the Minimum Equipment Standards and Safety Inspection Criteria for Pupil Transportation Vehicles* (and to Appoint a Hearing Official, and Set a Date, Time & Place for a Hearing.)

RATIONALE: Currently, Rule 92 includes a section that limits the size of the fuel tank that can be used in school buses. New technology improving fuel efficiency developed for Type A school buses is designed to utilize a smaller fuel tank than is required in Rule 92. Without the proposed change, Nebraska schools would not be permitted to use new Type A school buses.

Background information – Rule 92 was last revised in November 2012 following the meeting of the National Congress of School Transportation. Typically, Rule 92 is revised on a 5 year schedule incorporating changes resulting from the National Congress of School Transportation.

Estimated Cost - \$650