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Auditor General DePasquale Targets Transportation Efficiencies at Pittsburgh School District

Launches performance audit to focus on transportation contracts, costs

HARRISBURG – Auditor General Eugene DePasquale today said work will begin this month on a performance audit of transportation contracts and costs in the School District of Pittsburgh.

“Transportation costs are among the biggest bills school districts pay,” DePasquale said. “Safe and reliable student transportation is important at every school. My goal is to ensure schools are focusing as much funding as possible into the classroom.”

DePasquale has long advocated for all school transportation contracts to be re-bid every time they are up for renewal. In [May 2016](#), he pointed out that his department had found 19 school districts that spent \$54.8 million more than their state reimbursements, largely because they were renewing current transportation contracts without seeking new bids.

“Re-bidding the contract each time helps ensure the district is getting the best possible price and taxpayers are getting the transparency they deserve,” DePasquale said.

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