

House Resolution 1367

By: Representatives Schofield of the 60th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Gordon of the 163rd, Paris of the 142nd, and Howard of the 124th

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging local boards of education to ensure that each of its schools has an operational
2 wheelchair onsite at all times; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on occasion the need arises to transport a student or staff member in a school
4 due to injury or illness; and

5 WHEREAS, there have been anecdotal incidents of school personnel utilizing regular chairs
6 in such instances; and

7 WHEREAS, it is essential that medical aid and assistance be received as soon as possible in
8 the event of injury or illness; and

9 WHEREAS, students and staff persons would greatly benefit from having access to a
10 wheelchair in the event of injury or illness to transport such person as quickly as possible and
11 as safely as possible to medical aid.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
13 the members of this body urge local boards of education to ensure that each of its schools has
14 an operational wheelchair onsite at all times for purposes of transporting students or staff
15 persons in the event of temporary incapacity or physical illness or injury.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that businesses, organizations, and individuals, including
17 parent-teacher organizations and public or private donors, are encouraged to donate
18 wheelchairs to local boards of education for use in their schools for such purposes.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
20 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to local
21 boards of education.