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Metro Pupil Trade Backed

The Milwaukee Jewish Council has endorsed proposed pupil exchanges between Milwaukee and suburban schools as "first steps" toward desegregation.

While stopping short of endorsing a specific bill, the council singled out a pupil exchange bill sponsored by Rep. Dennis Conta (D-Milwaukee) and Sen. F. James Sensenbrenner (R-Shorewood) and one co-sponsored by Rep. Rod Johnston (R-Fox Point) as steps toward a metropolitan solution.

The council also supported the concept of mandatory ne-

gotiations between school districts to promote pupil exchanges and the concept of providing state aids to school districts that participate in exchange programs.

The council's stand, taken at a meeting Feb. 11, was read Sunday night at a meeting sponsored by Congregation Emanu-El B'ne Jeshurun.

Sensenbrenner described his bill before about a dozen persons during the meetings.

Essential to successful integration, he said, is support of both the parents and participating school boards.

Sensenbrenner said school districts should be involved in approving each pupil transfer "so that suburban schools are not used as an escape hatch for motivated black students or as a dumping ground for the city's discipline problems."

Referring to federal Judge John Reynolds' order to desegregate Milwaukee Public Schools, he said the suburbs should help develop a metropolitan plan because "there's no way the suburbs can escape the consequences of the Reynolds decision."

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