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HOUSE BILL No. 1303

DIGEST OF HB 1303 (Updated January 27, 2014 9:43 am - DI 71)

Citations Affected: IC 20-27.

Synopsis: School buses. Requires the state school bus committee to adopt and enforce rules that require each school bus placed into service for the first time bear an indication on the back of the school bus in black letters that the school bus is required to stop at all railroad crossings. Provides that the driver of a special purpose bus or school bus (bus) at the time of the inspection shall be notified of an out-of-service order and a copy shall be made available on the Internet web site of the state police department. (Current law provides that a copy of the out-of-service order is to be forwarded to the governing body of the school corporation that controls the operation of the bus.)

Effective: Upon passage; July 1, 2014.

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January 15, 2014, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.
January 27, 2014, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-27-3-5, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005, SECTION
2 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON
3 PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. **(a)** The committee shall adopt and enforce rules
4 under IC 4-22-2 to require that each new school bus operated by or on
5 behalf of a school corporation bear the number of the school district on
6 the back of the school bus in black letters that are at least four (4)
7 inches and not more than six (6) inches high.

8 **(b) The committee shall adopt and enforce rules under IC 4-22-2**
9 **to require that each school bus placed into service for the first time**
10 **by a school corporation or nonpublic school bear an indication on**
11 **the back of the school bus in black letters that the school bus is**
12 **required to stop at all railroad crossings.**

13 SECTION 2. IC 20-27-7-13, AS ADDED BY P.L.1-2005,
14 SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
15 JULY 1, 2014]: Sec. 13. If:

16 (1) after being repaired under section 11 of this chapter a special

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1 purpose bus or school bus does not meet the minimum standards
 2 under this chapter; or
 3 (2) a special purpose bus or school bus is not repaired to meet the
 4 minimum standards under this chapter;
 5 the state police department shall issue an out-of-service order and
 6 certificate for the special purpose bus or school bus. ~~Each~~
 7 ~~out-of-service order and certificate shall be served personally on~~ The
 8 driver of the special purpose bus or school bus **at the time of the**
 9 **inspection shall be notified of the out-of-service order** and a copy
 10 shall be ~~forwarded to~~ **made available on the Internet web site of the**
 11 **state police department for** the governing body of the school
 12 corporation that controls the operation of the special purpose bus or
 13 school bus. ~~After an out-of-service order and certificate have been~~
 14 ~~issued, the affected special purpose bus or school bus may not be used~~
 15 ~~to transport passengers until all defects have been corrected.~~
 16 SECTION 3. IC 20-27-7-14.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
 17 CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS**
 18 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014]: **Sec. 14.5. After:**
 19 **(1) an out-of-service order and an out-of-service certificate**
 20 **have been issued under section 13 of this chapter; and**
 21 **(2) the out-of-service certificate has been displayed or**
 22 **positioned as set forth in section 14 of this chapter;**
 23 **the affected special purpose bus or school bus may not be used to**
 24 **transport passengers until all defects have been corrected.**
 25 SECTION 4. **An emergency is declared for this act.**



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1303, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 20-27-3-5, AS ADDED BY P.L. 1-2005, SECTION 11, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 5. (a) The committee shall adopt and enforce rules under IC 4-22-2 to require that each new school bus operated by or on behalf of a school corporation bear the number of the school district on the back of the school bus in black letters that are at least four (4) inches and not more than six (6) inches high.

(b) The committee shall adopt and enforce rules under IC 4-22-2 to require that each school bus placed into service for the first time by a school corporation or nonpublic school bear an indication on the back of the school bus in black letters that the school bus is required to stop at all railroad crossings."

Page 2, after line 12, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 4. **An emergency is declared for this act."**

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1303 as introduced.)

BEHNING, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 0.

