

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

REGULAR SESSION, 1949



ENROLLED

HOUSE BILL No. 242

(By Mr. Blankenship)



PASSED March 4 1949

In Effect From Passage



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AN ACT to amend and reenact section eleven, article eight, chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as last amended, relating to the passing of school buses by other motor vehicles on public highways.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That section eleven, article eight, chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, as last amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Section 11. *Passing Street Cars and Meeting, Over-*  
2 *taking and Passing School Buses; Penalty.*—Every per-  
3 son using, operating, or driving a motor vehicle upon  
4 or over any of the streets of any of the incorporated  
5 towns and cities thereof, shall bring the same to a full  
6 stop not less than five feet from any street car which

7 has stopped to receive or discharge passengers and shall  
8 remain standing until such street car has taken on or  
9 discharged such passengers: *Provided, however,* That  
10 the operator may pass such street car where a safety  
11 zone is established by the proper authorities.

12 The driver of a vehicle upon a highway outside the  
13 limits of an incorporated town or city upon meeting or  
14 overtaking from either direction any school bus which  
15 has stopped on the highway for the purpose of receiving  
16 or discharging any school children shall stop the vehicle  
17 before reaching such school bus and shall not proceed un-  
18 til such school bus resumes motion or until signalled by  
19 the driver to proceed.

20 Every bus used for the transportation of school child-  
21 ren shall bear upon the front and rear thereon a plainly  
22 visible sign containing the words "school bus" in letters  
23 not less than 6 inches in height. When a contract school  
24 bus is being operated upon a highway for purposes other  
25 than the actual transportation of children either to or  
26 from school all markings thereon indicating "school bus"  
27 shall be covered or concealed.

28 Any person driving or operating a motor vehicle in  
29 violation of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor,  
30 and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than  
31 ten nor more than one hundred dollars, or imprisoned in  
32 the county jail for a period not to exceed six months, or  
33 both, at the discretion of the court or justice trying the  
34 case.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

*Joseph L. Monnes*

Chairman Senate Committee

*Walter*

Chairman House Committee

Originated in the House of Delegates

Takes effect *From* passage.

*Howard Meyer*  
Clerk of the Senate

*J. G. Ruff*  
Clerk of the House of Delegates

*W. B. Harrison*  
President of the Senate

*W. E. Harrison*  
Speaker House of Delegates

The within *APPROVED* this the *10<sup>th</sup>*  
day of *MARCH*, 1949.

*Okie L. Pattison*  
Governor



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D. PIT O'BRIEN,  
SECRETARY OF STATE