

No. 1142

WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

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Com. Sub. for
HOUSE BILL No. 1142

(By ~~Mr.~~ Del. Mullett + Del. Murphy)



Passed Feb 24 1986

In Effect July 1, 1986 ~~Passage~~

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR

H. B. 1142

(By DELEGATE MULLETT and DELEGATE MURPHY)

[Passed February 24, 1986; in effect July 1, 1986.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section seven, article twelve, chapter seventeen-c of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to criminal penalties for failure to stop at a school bus which is stopped for the purpose of receiving or discharging school children.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section seven, article twelve, chapter seventeen-c of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 12. SPECIAL STOPS REQUIRED.

§17C-12-7. Overtaking and passing school bus; penalties; signs and warning lights upon buses; removal of warning lights, lettering, etc., upon sale of buses; highways with separate roadways.

- 1 (a) The driver of a vehicle on any street or highway
- 2 upon meeting or overtaking from either direction any
- 3 school bus which has stopped on the highway for the
- 4 purpose of receiving or discharging any school children
- 5 shall stop the vehicle before reaching such school bus

6 when there is in operation on said school bus flashing
7 warning signal lights, as referred to in section eight of
8 this article, and said driver shall not proceed until such
9 school bus resumes motion, or is signaled by the school
10 bus driver to proceed or the visual signals are no longer
11 actuated. Any such driver acting in violation of this
12 subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon
13 conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than twenty-
14 five nor more than two hundred dollars, or imprisoned
15 in the county jail not more than six months, or both
16 fined and imprisoned.

17 (b) Every bus used for the transportation of school
18 children shall bear upon the front and rear thereof a
19 plainly visible sign containing the words "school bus" in
20 letters not less than eight inches in height. When a
21 contract school bus is being operated upon a highway
22 for purposes other than the actual transportation of
23 children either to or from school all markings thereon
24 indicating "school bus" shall be covered or concealed.
25 Any school bus sold or transferred to another owner by
26 a county board of education, agency or individual, shall
27 have all flashing warning lights removed; all lettering
28 removed or permanently obscured; and such bus shall
29 be painted a color other than chrome yellow before sale
30 or transfer is made except when sold or transferred for
31 the transportation of school children.

32 (c) The driver of a vehicle upon a highway with
33 separate roadways need not stop upon meeting or
34 passing a school bus which is on a different roadway or
35 when upon a controlled-access highway and the school
36 bus is stopped in a loading zone which is a part of or
37 adjacent to such highway and where pedestrians are not
38 permitted to cross the roadway.

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

Bruce Williams
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Chairman Senate Committee

Floyd Fuller
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Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

Takes effect July 1, 1986.

John C. Welch
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Clerk of the Senate

Donald R. Koff
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Clerk of the House of Delegates

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President of the Senate

Joseph P. Allright
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Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within *approved* this the *26th*
March
day of, 1986.

Arthur R. Morgan
.....
Governor

PRESENTED TO THE

GOVERNOR

Date 3/6/86

Time 12:49 p.m.

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WEST VIRGINIA

THIS DATE 3/26/86

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