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ENGROSSED
HOUSE BILL No. 1267

DIGEST OF HB 1267 (Updated February 15, 2000 12:27 PM - DI 92)

Citations Affected: IC 20-9.1.

Synopsis: School bus identification markings. Requires the state school bus committee to adopt and enforce rules requiring each new school bus to bear: (1) the name of the school district on the top of the school bus; and (2) the number of the school district on the back of the school bus in black letters that are four to six inches high.

Effective: January 1, 2001.

Frenz, Kersey, Saunders

(SENATE SPONSORS — RIEGSECKER, WATERMAN, HUME)

January 11, 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.
January 19, 2000, amended, reported — Do Pass.
January 24, 2000, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.
January 25, 2000, engrossed. Re-engrossed
January 27, 2000, read third time, passed. Yeas 87, nays 9.

SENATE ACTION

January 28, 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation and Interstate Cooperation.
February 17, 2000, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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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 transportation.

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

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-9.1-4-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2001]: **Sec. 4.5. (a) As used in this**
4 **section, "committee" refers to the state school bus committee**
5 **created by this chapter.**
6 **(b) The committee shall adopt and enforce rules under IC 4-22-2**
7 **to require that each new school bus bear:**
8 **(1) the name of the school district on the top of the school bus;**
9 **and**
10 **(2) the number of the school district on the back of the school**
11 **bus;**
12 **in black letters that are between four (4) inches and six (6) inches**
13 **high.**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Roads and Transportation, to which was referred House Bill 1267, 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:

Delete the title and insert the following:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning transportation:

Replace the effective date in SECTION 1 with "[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2001]".

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

"SECTION 1. IC 9-21-12-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: Sec. 5. (a) This section does not apply to the following:

- (1) A street railway grade crossing within a business or residence district.
- (2) Abandoned or unused tracks.
- (b) A person who drives:
 - (1) a motor vehicle carrying passengers for hire;
 - (2) a school or private bus that is carrying passengers; or
 - (3) a vehicle carrying explosive substances or flammable liquids as a cargo or part of a cargo;

shall, before crossing at grade a track of a railroad, stop the vehicle not more than fifty (50) feet and not less than fifteen (15) feet from the nearest rail of the railroad. **However, this subsection does not apply to a school bus whenever the school bus is being driven on a highway that is divided into two (2) roadways (as described in IC 9-21-8-17) of at least two (2) lanes each.**

(c) While stopped in accordance with subsection (b), the person shall do the following:

- (1) Listen through an open window or door.
- (2) Look in both directions along the track for an approaching train and for signals indicating the approach of a train.
- (3) Not proceed until the person can proceed safely.

After stopping the person shall cross only in a gear of the vehicle so there will be no necessity for changing gears while traversing the crossing. The person who drives the vehicle may not shift gears while crossing the track or tracks.

(d) If a police officer or traffic control signal directs traffic to proceed at a railroad crossing, the person who drives a vehicle subject to this section shall proceed in accordance with the instructions of the

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police officer or traffic control signal."

Page 1, delete lines 7 through 10, begin a new line blocked left and insert:

"to require that each school bus bear:

**(1) the name of the school district on the top of the school bus;
and**

**(2) the number of the school district on the back of the
schoolbus;"**

Page 1, delete lines 13 through 18.

Delete page 2.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1267 as introduced.)

COOK, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 1.

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HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1267 be amended to read as follows:

Page 2, line 20, after "each" insert "new".

(Reference is to HB 1267 as printed January 19, 2000.)

FRENZ

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that House Bill 1267 be amended to read as follows:

Page 1, line 15, delete "school bus whenever the school bus is being driven on a".

(Reference is to HB1267 as printed January 20, 2000.)

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Transportation and Interstate Cooperation, to which was referred House Bill No. 1267, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 18.

Page 2, delete lines 1 through 12.

Page 2, line 13, after "2." insert "IC 20-9.1-4-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS**".

Page 2, line 13, after "2001]" insert ": **Sec. 4.5.**".

Page 2, line 14, delete "SECTION" and insert "**section**".

Page 2, line 15, delete "IC 20-9.1-4" and insert "**this chapter**".

Page 2, delete lines 16 through 17.

Page 2, line 18, delete "(c)" and insert "**(b)**".

Re-number all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1267 as printed January 25, 2000.)

RIEGSECKER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0.

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