



January 28, 2000

SENATE BILL No. 157

DIGEST OF SB 157 (Updated January 25, 2000 3:28 PM - DI 71)

Citations Affected: IC 20-9.1.

Synopsis: Blocking school bus aisles. Requires the maintenance of school bus emergency escape passages so that exits are not inhibited, obstructed, or rendered hazardous when the school bus is transporting children.

Effective: July 1, 2000.

Skillman, Breaux

January 10, 2000, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Policy.
January 27, 2000, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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Second Regular Session 111th General Assembly (2000)

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.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 1999 General Assembly.

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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 20-9.1-5-21.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: **Sec. 21.5. (a) Whenever a school bus**
4 **is transporting school children, the school bus emergency escape**
5 **exits, doors, windows, roof exits, and service doors shall be**
6 **maintained free of any obstruction that:**

- 7 (1) **inhibits or obstructs an exit; or**
- 8 (2) **renders the means of exit hazardous.**
- 9 (b) **A:**
 - 10 (1) **school bus driver who knowingly violates this section; or**
 - 11 (2) **person who knowingly directs a violation of this section;**
- 12 **is subject to the penalties provided in section 22 of this chapter.**

13 SECTION 2. IC 20-9.1-5-22 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
14 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: **Sec. 22. Penalties:** A person
15 who violates:

- 16 (1) **chapter 2, 2.5, 3, or 4 or 5 of this article; or**
- 17 (2) **this chapter;**

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SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senator Breaux be added as second author of Senate Bill 157.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Public Policy, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 157, 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, line 3, delete "School" and insert "**Whenever a school bus is transporting school children, the school**".

Page 1, line 9, after "who" insert "**knowingly**".

Page 1, line 10, after "who" insert "**knowingly**".

Page 1, after line 11, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 2. IC 20-9.1-5-22 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2000]: Sec. 22. ~~Penalties.~~ A person who violates:

(1) chapter 2, 2.5, 3, or 4 or 5 of this article; or

(2) this chapter;

commits a Class C misdemeanor."

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 157 as introduced.)

WYSS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0.

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