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By: **Delegate V. Mitchell**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education - School Buses - Pickup and Discharge of Students**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain school buses in the State, when transporting
4 students whose bus stop is on a four-lane highway, to pick up and discharge the
5 students on the side of the highway on which the students reside.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article - Education
8 Section 2-206(a) and (b)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

11 BY adding to
12 Article - Education
13 Section 2-206(l)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
17 Article - Education
18 Section 7-801(b)
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

21 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
22 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

1 **Article - Education**

2 2-206.

3 (a) In this section, "noncollegiate educational institution" means a school or
4 other institution that offers an educational program but is not an institution of
5 postsecondary education, as defined in § 10-101 of this article.

6 (b) (1) This section does not apply to:

7 (i) Apprenticeship and on-the-job training programs that are
8 subject to the approval of the Apprenticeship and Training Council;

9 (ii) Individuals or entities that offer or arrange for instruction
10 solely for avocational purposes through courses in areas such as art, music, dance,
11 drama, sports, crafts, or photography, if these courses are designed primarily for
12 developing skills for personal enrichment, recreation, or other leisure pursuits; or

13 (iii) Individuals or entities that offer or arrange for a supplemental
14 educational program or tutoring in subjects usually taught in an elementary or
15 secondary school to students concurrently enrolled in public or nonpublic schools.

16 (2) This section does not apply to these individuals or entities specified
17 in subparagraph (1)(ii) of this subsection solely on the basis that they use the word
18 "school" as a part of their name, in literature or publications such as advertisements,
19 brochures, catalogs or bulletins, or in other pronouncements.

20 (L) WHEN PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION FOR A STUDENT WHOSE BUS STOP IS
21 ON A FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY, A SCHOOL BUS BEING OPERATED ON BEHALF OF A
22 NONCOLLEGIATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION SHALL PICK UP AND DISCHARGE THE
23 STUDENT ON THE SIDE OF THE HIGHWAY ON WHICH THE STUDENT LIVES.

24 7-801.

25 (b) (1) At its own expense, a county governing body may provide
26 transportation for public school students in addition to the transportation provided by
27 the State.

28 (2) WHEN PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION FOR A STUDENT WHOSE BUS
29 STOP IS ON A FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY, A PUBLIC SCHOOL BUS SHALL PICK UP AND
30 DISCHARGE THE STUDENT ON THE SIDE OF THE HIGHWAY ON WHICH THE STUDENT
31 LIVES.

32 (3) In Montgomery County, a fee may not be charged for transporting
33 public school students to school from their designated bus stop locations or from
34 school to their designated bus stop locations.

35 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
36 July 1, 1998.