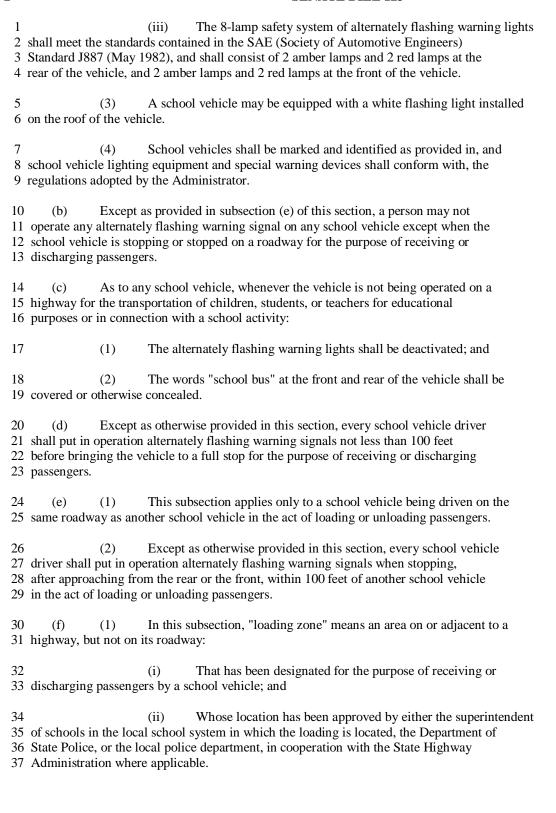
Unofficial Copy R5 1999 Regular Session 9lr1280 CF 9lr0559

By: Senator Middleton Introduced and read first time: January 22, 1999 Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings A BILL ENTITLED 1 AN ACT concerning 2 Vehicle Laws - School Buses - Pick Up and Discharge of Passengers 3 FOR the purpose of requiring a driver of a school vehicle to stop on the roadway to pick up or discharge passengers under certain circumstances. 4 5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article - Transportation 6 7 Section 22-228 Annotated Code of Maryland 8 (1998 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement) 9 10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 11 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: 12 **Article - Transportation** 13 22-228. 14 The Administrator may adopt regulations for lighting 15 equipment, special warning devices, markings, and identification to be used by school 16 vehicles. 17 (ii) Regulations adopted under this paragraph shall be consistent 18 with the provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law. 19 A school vehicle shall be equipped with an 8-lamp system of 20 alternately flashing signal lamps. 21 The equipment requirement of this paragraph applies only to: (ii) 22 1. Any school vehicle manufactured on or after January, 23 1985, that is registered in this State; and 24 2. Any school vehicle registered in this State on or after July

25 1, 1996, regardless of its date of manufacture.

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- 1 (2) It is the policy of this State to encourage the establishment and use of 2 loading zones for school vehicles.

  3 (3) Where a loading zone is available, a school vehicle driver, unless 4 otherwise required for safety, may not stop on the roadway for the purpose of 5 receiving or discharging passengers, but shall use the loading zone for this purpose.
- 6 (G) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (F) OF THIS SECTION, A DRIVER OF 7 A SCHOOL VEHICLE SHALL STOP ON THE ROADWAY TO:
- 8 (1) RECEIVE PASSENGERS WHEN TRANSPORTING THEM TO SCHOOL; OR
- $9 \hspace{1.5cm}$  DISCHARGE PASSENGERS WHEN TRANSPORTING THEM FROM 10 SCHOOL.
- 11 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 12 July 1, 1999.