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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties - School Buses - Length of**
3 **Operation - Sunset Repeal**

4 FOR the purpose of repealing the termination date for a provision of law that
5 authorizes conventional school buses that meet certain criteria to be operated in
6 Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties for a certain length of time.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
8 Article - Education
9 Section 7-804(b)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Chapter 420 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003
14 Section 2

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

17 **Article - Education**

18 7-804.

19 (b) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection,
20 unless it fails to meet the applicable school bus and motor vehicle safety standards, a
21 school vehicle may be operated for 12 years.

22 (2) (i) In Somerset, Wicomico, and Worcester counties, unless it fails to
23 meet the applicable school bus and motor vehicle safety standards, a school vehicle
24 may be operated for 15 years.

25 (ii) A school vehicle operating under subparagraph (i) of this
26 paragraph shall be maintained as provided in subsection (c) of this section.

1 (3) Any school vehicle in operation or accepted before July 1, 2004, or
2 under contract to be purchased before July 1, 2004, that meets the specifications of
3 the Department and of the Motor Vehicle Administration for transit style school
4 vehicles may be operated for 15 years.

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Chapter 420 of the Acts of 2003

6 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
7 July 1, 2003. [It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of June
8 30, 2006, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be
9 abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
11 July 1, 2006.