



February 3, 2026

The Honorable Marc Korman and Members  
House Environment & Transportation Committee  
House Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401

The Honorable Jheanelle K Wilkins and Members  
House Ways and Means Committee  
House Office Building  
Annapolis, MD 21401

**Re: FAVORABLE WITH AMENDMENTS HB 110 – Motor Vehicles – School Buses – Seat Belts**

Dear Chair Korman and Chair Wilkins, Vice Chair Guyton and Vice Chair Feldmark, and Members of both Committees:

The Maryland School Bus Contractors Association (MSBCA) supports with amendments HB 110 – Motor Vehicles – School Buses – Seat Belts. MSBCA serves as the voice of the private school bus companies that contract with local Maryland school systems in 20 of Maryland's 24 jurisdictions. MSBCA members own and operate over 3,600, or 50%, of the school buses transporting school children across the great State of Maryland. MSBCA contracted school buses routes travel over 58 million miles each year while remaining fully committed to the safety of the students we transport and considers it a privilege to do so.

MSBCA supports amendments submitted by Delegate Taveras (613229/1) related to HB 110. However, if additional amendments are introduced, MSBCA leadership will review and reserve the right to amend or change our position.

First and foremost, MSBCA remains committed to the safety of the students they transport and considers it a privilege to do so. The Association also remains committed to the position that the **yellow school bus is by far the safest mode of transporting children to and from school, with or without seat belts.** School buses have been demonstrated as the safest mode of transportation for many years, thanks to the manufacturers' dedication to passenger safety and responsible school bus contractors and their drivers.

Again, MSBCA looks forward to working with all our legislators to make Maryland the safest and most efficient state in the country for all our children.

Sincerely,

*Steve Nelson*

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President

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Executive Director