THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 8, 1987

AN ACT

- Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 2 Statutes, further providing for general requirements for
- school buses and for width of vehicles. 3
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- Section 1. Section 4552(b) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania 6
- Consolidated Statutes is amended to read: 7
- § 4552. General requirements for school buses. 8
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- 10 (b) Visual signals. -- In addition to the applicable lighting
- requirements of Chapter 43 (relating to lighting equipment) 11
- 12 every school bus shall be equipped with a uniform front and rear
- system of red and amber visual signals for the warning and 13
- 14 control of traffic during route operations as provided in
- 15 section 3345 (relating to meeting or overtaking school bus) and
- in regulations of the department. All school buses purchased 16
- after January 1, 1988, which were manufactured after that date, 17
- 18 shall also be equipped with a side stop signal arm on the left

- 1 side of the vehicle. The side stop signal arm shall be
- 2 <u>automatically activated when the bus stops and shall contain a</u>
- 3 <u>flashing red light connected to the same circuits as the red and</u>
- 4 <u>amber visual signals. The department shall adopt regulations</u>
- 5 <u>implementing this subsection</u>.
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- 7 Section 2. Section 4921 of Title 75 is amended by adding a
- 8 subsection to read:
- 9 § 4921. Width of vehicles.
- 10 * * *
- 11 (f.1) School buses.--School bus side stop signal arms, as
- 12 provided for in section 4552, may, when in an extended position
- 13 <u>displaying red visual signals while the vehicle is stopped and</u>
- 14 loading or discharging students, extend beyond the width
- 15 <u>limitation otherwise provided in this section.</u>
- 16 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.