

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2173 Session of
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PETRONE AND LEACH, JANUARY 17, 2008

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 17, 2008

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, further providing for general requirements for
3 school buses, seating and seat belts.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 4552(d) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended and the section is amended by
8 adding a subsection to read:

9 § 4552. General requirements for school buses.

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11 (d) Seating.--Adequate seating space of safe design and
12 construction shall be provided for each passenger and no
13 passenger shall be carried for which adequate seating space is
14 not available and used. Seats shall be a minimum height of 24
15 inches or higher, unless required to be higher by Federal law or
16 regulation.

17 (d.1) Seat belts.--Every school bus shall be equipped with

1 shoulder restraint safety belts that cover the lap and shoulder
2 of the passenger. The seat belts shall be provided for each
3 passenger for which seating is provided, and no passenger shall
4 be carried for whom a seat belt is not available and used.

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6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.