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To Col. Francis J. McCabe, Chief, Maine State Police  
Re: School Bus Operators

We have your memo of February 3, 1953, in which you ask if Section 53-A of Chapter 19 of the Revised Statutes could be interpreted to permit a teacher to drive a school bus transporting children to ball games and other activities in the evening.

We are of the opinion that Section 53-A applies to all school activities, whether it be the transportation of children to and from the school or whether it be for any other activity which might be classified as a school activity.

The last paragraph of Section 53-A is clearly severable from the preceding portions of that section and was enacted merely to prevent the operator of a school bus from dropping children at a distance from their homes or from that location at which they were picked up.

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Deputy Attorney General

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