

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative CARROLL of Gray.

Cosponsored by Representative MILLS of Bethel, Representative BURKE of Vassalboro and Representative FARNSWORTH of Hallowell.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-NINE

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An Act to Require the Use of Safety Belts on Maine School Buses.

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1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

3 **29 MRSA §2014-A is enacted to read:**

5 **§2014-A. Seat safety belts**

7 **1. Passenger seat safety belts for school buses. Every new**  
8 **school bus, as defined in this chapter, purchased for use in this**  
9 **State after September 1991, shall be equipped with seat safety**  
10 **belts.**

11 **2. Passenger seat safety belts for existing school buses.**  
12 **Any school bus not equipped with seat safety belts shall be**  
13 **retrofitted so that all passenger seats are equipped with seat**  
14 **safety belts by the year 1995.**

15 **3. Rules. The Commissioner of Transportation in**  
16 **consultation with the Commissioner of Educational and Cultural**  
17 **Services shall establish by rule standards for seat safety belts,**  
18 **seat safety belt anchorage assemblies and the installation of**  
19 **seat safety belts in school buses. The rules shall prescribe the**  
20 **method of securing approval of seat safety belts.**

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25 **STATEMENT OF FACT**

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28 **New school buses purchased after September 1991, shall be**  
29 **equipped with seat safety belts for use by all passengers.**  
30 **Existing buses shall be required to install seat safety belts**  
31 **within a 5-year period.**