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# 115th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 6, 1992

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26. Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative MITCHELL of Vassalboro. Cosponsored by Representative NORTON of Winthrop.

#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO

An Act Prohibiting Persons Convicted of Operating under the Influence from Operating School Buses.



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

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4	§19,	sec. 1. 29 MIKSA \$2013, Sub-\$1, as amended by PL 1991, c. 377, is further amended to read:
6	roin	1. Requirements. The Secretary of State may not issue <u>or</u> state a school bus operator endorsement <u>to a person</u> waless
8	the-	applicant nor may a person operate a school bus or a private of activity bus conveying school children unless that person:
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12 14		A. Holds a valid operator's license for operation of the class vehicle to be operated and has at least one year's experience as a licensed motor vehicle operator in this State or any other state;
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16	. ·	B. Is at least 21 years of age and has held an operator's license for at least one year. The minimum age of 21 years
18		does not apply to school bus operators licensed under this
20	*	section on March 15, 1988;
	and the second	C. Meets all training and special physical, mental and
22		moral requirements established by the Commissioner of Education, and the Commissioner of Education or a designee
24	, 1 - + <b></b>	notifies the Secretary of State in writing that the applicant meets those requirements. The applicant must pass
26		an annual physical examination, with the cost of that examination borne by the employer;
28		D. Is qualified as a driver under the Motor Carrier Safety
30		Regulations of the Federal Highway Administration, if the person or that person's employer is subject to those
32		regulations;
34		E. Passes an examination as the Secretary of State prescribes to determine that person's ability to operate the
36		specific vehicle that will be driven as a school bus or any vehicle of comparable type. A fee of \$10 must accompany the
38		initial application for the examination. The fee for subsequent examinations is \$5;
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42		F. Is not a <u>an</u> habitual offender, as defined in section 2292; and
44	• .	G. Has not been convicted of a violation of former section 1312, subsection 10; section 1312-B; former section 1312-C;
46		or Title 15, section 3103, subsection 1, paragraph F, within

### STATEMENT OF FACT

- This bill clarifies that a school bus operator who has been convicted of operating under the influence may not have a school bus operator endorsement reinstated.
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