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House of Representatives, February 7, 2019

**An Act To Increase the Penalty for Passing a School Bus with Its
Red Lights Flashing**

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative CEBRA of Naples.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2308, sub-§6**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and
3 affected by Pt. B, §5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

4 **6. Penalty.** A violation of subsection 2 is a Class E crime that, notwithstanding Title
5 17-A, section 1301, is punishable by:

6 A. The assessment of 6 demerit points on a driver's license pursuant to section 2458,
7 subsection 3;

8 B. A fine of \$2,000; and

9 C. A term of imprisonment of 90 days.

10 **SUMMARY**

11 This bill increases the penalties for passing a stopped school bus with its red lights
12 flashing. The new penalties are:

13 1. The assessment of 6 demerit points on a driver's license;

14 2. A fine of \$2,000; and

15 3. A term of imprisonment of 90 days.