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NINETY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 2, 1955

Referred to the Committee on Transportation, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. McCluskey of Warren.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to Overtaking and Passing School Buses and Lights Thereon.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 48, amended. The 3rd paragraph from the end of section 48 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'All school buses as defined in this section shall be equipped with a fire extinguisher of a type and size approved by the laboratories of the National Board of Fire Underwriters. In addition to other lights required by law on each such bus, its front and rear shall be equipped with a stop light of a type approved by the Secretary of State. Such light shall be clearly displayed whenever the bus stops to receive or discharge its passengers. ~~The provisions of this section with reference to lights shall apply only to school buses with a carrying capacity of 10 or more pupils.~~

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 119, amended. Section 119 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'**Sec. 119. Overtaking and passing school buses.** The driver of a vehicle on a way upon meeting or overtaking from either direction any school bus which has stopped on the way for the purpose of receiving or discharging any school children shall stop the vehicle before reaching such school bus and shall not proceed until such school bus resumes motion, or until ~~signaled by the school bus driver to proceed~~ **flashing stop light as approved for school buses by the Secretary of State is no longer flashing.** Each motor vehicle, carrying the designation "School Bus," shall conceal or remove such designation when such motor vehicle is parked on any way and does not contain any pupils or used for any purpose other than transportation of pupils.'