GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2001

S SENATE BILL 170

Short Title: Renters Notified of School Bus Laws. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Garrou; Bingham, Carter, Hagan, Lee, Metcalf, Rand, Robinson, and Swindell.

Referred to: Judiciary II.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE RENTAL CAR COMPANIES TO NOTIFY RENTERS OF SCHOOL BUS PASSING LAWS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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SECTION 1. Article 28 of Chapter 66 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 66-202A. School bus passing law notification required.

- (a) A rental car company shall notify all renters of the requirements of G.S. 20-217 that motor vehicles are to stop for a properly marked and designated school bus that is stopped for the purpose of receiving or discharging passengers and which is displaying a mechanical stop signal or flashing red stoplights.
- (b) A document evidencing the notification required by subsection (a) of this section, signed by the renter, shall be attached to the copy of the rental agreement maintained by the rental car company.
- (c) A person who fails to keep the records required by this section is guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor. A law enforcement agency may examine the records required to be kept under this section during business hours."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective December 1, 2001, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.