

(House Bill 1154)

AN ACT concerning

School Buses - Length of Use

~~FOR the purpose of requiring that school buses be operated for a certain period unless they fail to meet safety inspection standards.~~

FOR the purpose of providing that a conventional school bus may be operated for a certain period if it meets certain safety standards; providing for an extension in emergencies; and providing that certain payments shall be continued under certain circumstances.

BY adding to

Article - Education
Section 7-605
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1978 Volume and 1979 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article - Education

7-605.

~~UNLESS IT FAILS TO MEET THE APPLICABLE MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION SAFETY INSPECTION STANDARDS, A SCHOOL BUS SHALL BE OPERATED FOR 12 YEARS.~~

(A) UNLESS IT FAILS TO MEET THE APPLICABLE SCHOOL BUS AND MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARDS, A CONVENTIONAL SCHOOL BUS MAY BE OPERATED FOR 12 YEARS. THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT MAY GRANT AN EXTENSION OF THE 12-YEAR LIMIT IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION.

(B) THE BASIC ANNUAL ALLOTMENT IN EFFECT IN THE TENTH YEAR SHALL BE CONTINUED IN THE ELEVENTH AND TWELFTH YEARS OF A BUS'S OPERATION AS A PART OF THE PAYMENT FORMULA.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1980.

Approved May 20, 1980.
