

Judiciary Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No: SB-508 / [Bill Status](#) / [Public Hearing Testimony](#)

Title: AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION OF AN OPERATOR'S LICENSE
FOR REPEATEDLY FAILING TO STOP FOR A SCHOOL BUS.

Vote Date: 3/30/2026

Vote Action: Joint Favorable Substitute

PH Date: 3/18/2026

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Judiciary Committee

REASONS FOR BILL:

In response to repeat violations, and to preempt tragedy that may ensue, this bill increases penalties for those who repeatedly fail to stop for a school bus to a suspension of their driver's license.

SUBSTITUTE LANGUAGE:

The substitute language changes the penalty to apply after a third violation, as opposed to a second.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None expressed.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Jeff Gordon, State Senator, 35th District: Senator Gordon submitted testimony in support of the bill. He wrote that passage of the bill would not only protect our state's children but would also work towards our greater goal of reducing traffic injuries and fatalities. He is in favor of increasing accountability for individuals who violate this law. He also pointed out that this bill is similar to current law in Massachusetts.

Patricia Libongco, Anonymous: Two individuals submitted testimony simply stating their support.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None expressed.

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Date: April 10, 2026