CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 216(TRA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Offered: 5/7/99
Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES HARRIS, Mulder, Dyson, James, Cisna

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to school buses."

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

3 * Section 1. AS 14.09 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 Sec. 14.09.030. School buses. (a) A municipal school district or regional
educational attendance area shall

5 (1) provide instruction on safe boarding, riding, exiting, and emergency
procedures to school children transported to or from a public school by school bus;

6 (2) provide instruction to drivers and passengers on the proper use of
seat belts if school children in the municipal school district or regional educational
attendance area are transported in buses equipped with seat belts; and

7 (3) conduct at least three school bus drills each school year in safe
boarding, exiting, and emergency procedures; one drill must be conducted during the
first three weeks of the school term.

8 (b) The department shall

9 (1) establish equipment requirements for each type of school bus that
is used to transport school children to or from a public school;

(2) at least twice each calendar year, inspect each school bus for compliance with requirements adopted under this subsection; and

(3) maintain a record of each accident involving a school bus or other vehicle transporting school children that is owned by, leased by, or provided under contract to a municipal school district or regional educational attendance area; the record must include the date of the accident, a list of persons injured, whether the person’s injury occurred within the school bus, and each type of injury.

* Sec. 2. AS 28.05.104 is repealed.