CS SB 206 (STA)

Explanation of Amendments

Amendments were made in Senate State Affairs as follows:

- 1. The misdemeanor offense of contributing to the delinquency of a minor was moved from the group of felony offenses that would prohibit obtaining a school bus driver license. This misdemeanor will prohibit the issuance of a school bus driver license for two years after the date of conviction.
- 2. In order to clarify the time frame for applicability of the misdemeanor crimes the term 'unconditional discharge' was changed to the 'date of conviction'. The date of conviction is the date that sentence is imposed for the offense.
- 3. The department was given discretion to issue a license to a person convicted of one of the misdemeanors if the offense was not against a child.
- 4. Holders of the school bus driver license must report, on a form provided by the department, a conviction that would constitute a bar to issuance of the license.
- 5. At each 5 year license renewal a person holding a school bus driver license shall be required to obtain a background check.
- 6. Felony criminal convictions listed in this statute create a prohibition to holding a school bus driver license; however, for renewal of a license this Act does not apply to an offense for which the person was unconditionally discharged prior to July 1, 2004.