

**HOUSE BILL NO. 216**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY REPRESENTATIVES HARRIS, Mulder**

**Introduced: 4/29/99**

**Referred: Transportation**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to required safety equipment on school buses."**

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

3 **\* Section 1.** AS 28.05.104(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) The Department of Education, in coordination with the Department of  
5 Public Safety, shall

6 (1) establish equipment requirements for each type of school bus that  
7 is used to transport school children to or from a public school; equipment requirements  
8 must include **warning** [TWO RED STROBE] lights [WITH ALTERNATING  
9 FLASHES] attached to the stop arm, a white strobe light attached to the roof of the  
10 school bus and not more than six feet from the rear of the school bus, interior  
11 flammability standards, number and location of emergency exits, seat-back height and  
12 padding requirements, and seat belt standards;

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

15 (3) maintain a record of each accident involving a school bus or other

1 vehicle transporting school children that is owned, leased, or provided under contract  
2 to a school district or regional educational attendance area; the record must include the  
3 date of the accident, a list of persons injured, whether the person's injury occurred  
4 within the school bus, and each type of injury.