

NY Senate Passes Bonacic's Bill to Protect School Children at Bus Stops

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(Albany, NY)- Senator Bonacic is pleased to announce that the NY Senate has passed Senate Bill S.1634, which he sponsored. The bill would amend the vehicle and traffic law by increasing the penalties for passing a stopped school bus. Current law provides that an individual convicted two or more times of speeding in a construction zone be subject to sixty days suspension of his or her driver's license. However, passing a stopped school bus two or more times does not carry the same penalty. This legislation would remedy that inconsistency.

"There is no doubt that passing a stopped school bus possesses as much, if not more, risk to life and limb as speeding in a construction zone," said Bonacic. "This legislation would help ensure that those individuals who decide to intentionally drive past a stopped school bus will be held properly accountable for their actions."

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