



Why are these bills important?

- A. 700,000 children ride out school buses to and from school every day
- B. 15,000 school buses on the road each day
- C. 900,000 miles driven daily with students on board

How will these bills help our children be safer on the school bus?

A. HB 5038

- a. We have defined who can ride a school bus
- b. Anyone who boards the school bus without the drivers permission:
 - i. Charged with a misdemeanor
 - ii. Possibility of 93 days in jail
 - iii. And or a \$100 fine
 - iv. This is a current reduction in the penalty from when the bill was first introduced
- c. We have also added a civil infraction for anyone impeding the operation of a school bus

B. HB 5040

- a. This will allow a sticker on the side of the school bus to say "Unauthorized persons boarding or attempting to board this school bus are subject to prosecution"

Is running the school bus lights really an issue?

- A. 1,373 school bus drivers on 5/8/2019 took part in a one day survey of illegal pass bys
- B. 508 times the red lights of the school bus were passed on that day
- C. The three year average is 622 illegal pass bys a day
- D. 622 illegal pass bys multiplied by 180 days of school equals 111,960 illegal pass bys in a school year
- E. If illegal pass bys were a city, it would be the 8th largest in Michigan

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C. HB 5041

- a. As introduced, the bill amends the Michigan Vehicle Code to allow stop arm cameras to be installed on school buses and allow for video or a photograph to be used as evidence for law enforcement prosecuting illegal pass bys
- b. A change was made after conversation with the Governor's office that it will stay a civil infraction instead of a misdemeanor but will increase the penalty to \$500

D. HB 5042

- a. Authorizes stop arm cameras on the school buses and spells out the specifics in the Pupil Transportation Act