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## DIGEST

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HB 518 Original

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**Abstract:** Requires school buses to be equipped with seat belts.

Present law requires the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education to adopt rules and regulations to require that every bus used primarily for the transportation of students be equipped with occupant restraint systems; however, present law is subject to the appropriation of funds. Proposed law repeals this funding condition and applies the occupant restraint system requirement to charter school buses.

Proposed law makes present law applicable to new buses placed in service after Jan. 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 17:164.2(A) and 3996(B)(54); Repeals R.S. 17:164.2(C))