

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 146

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBBY CARTER

SCHOOLS/TRANSPORTATION: Requests the state Department of Education and the Department of Transportation and Development to study the feasibility and effectiveness of installing seat belts on school buses

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request the state Department of Education and the Department of
3 Transportation and Development to jointly study the feasibility and effectiveness of
4 installing seat belts on school buses and to report their findings to the House
5 Committee on Education not later than February 1, 2023.

6 WHEREAS, seat belts bring benefits to students, school bus operators, and schools
7 and school districts; and

8 WHEREAS, the presence of seat belts on school buses could help teach children the
9 critical habit of regularly using them; and

10 WHEREAS, seat belts can reduce distractions and improve student behavior, as well
11 as make them safer.

12 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
13 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the state Department of Education
14 and the Department of Transportation and Development to study the feasibility and
15 effectiveness of installing seat belts on school buses.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the state Department of Education and
17 Department of Transportation and Development shall submit a report to the House
18 Committee on Education that includes the following information relative to all school buses
19 used to transport public school students to and from home, school, and activities, including
20 buses owned by schools, school districts, and individual operators:

1 (1) The feasibility, effectiveness, potential costs, and suggested time frame for
2 installing seat belts on school buses.

3 (2) An examination of practices in other states relative to requirements and
4 authorizations for seat belts on school buses.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report shall be submitted to the House
6 Committee on Education not later than February 1, 2023.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the
8 state superintendent of education and the secretary of the Department of Transportation and
9 Development.

DIGEST

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