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HOUSE BILL NO. 795

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MTR VEHICLE/BUSES-SCHOOL: Provides relative to the model age and use of school buses

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 17:158.2(D) and (E), relative to the model age of school buses; to prohibit
3 school buses used to transport students from being more than twenty-five years old;
4 to require that activity or backup school buses be fifteen or fewer model years old;
5 to prohibit school buses older than fifteen model years from being used more than
6 sixty consecutive school days at a time; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 17:158.2(D) and (E) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §158.2. Purchase of school buses; resale to bus operators

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11 D. Any school bus used to transport students, including an activity or backup
12 bus, shall not be more than twenty-five years old. Any school bus used as an activity
13 or backup bus, at the time it is acquired by the owner and placed in service, shall be
14 fifteen or fewer model years old. The number of years shall be reckoned from the
15 date of introduction of the model year.

16 E. Any school bus used as an activity or backup bus that is older than fifteen
17 model years shall not be used more than sixty consecutive school days at a time.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Creates a statewide standard for the model age and use of school buses. Prohibits school buses used to transport students from being more than 25 model years old; requires activity or backup school buses to be 15 or fewer model years old when acquired; and prohibits activity or backup buses which are older than 15 model years from being used more than 60 consecutive school days at a time.

Proposed law prohibits school buses used to transport students, including activity and backup buses, from being more than 25 years old. Requires that activity and backup school buses be 15 or fewer model years old. Prohibits activity and backup buses that are older than 15 model years from being used more than 60 consecutive school days at a time.

(Adds R.S. 17:158.2(D) and (E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Education to the original bill.

1. In the prohibition on using school buses that are 15 model years or older, changes "60 consecutive days" to "60 consecutive school days".