

Dunsmuir Joint Union High School District

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY PLAN



TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

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PURPOSE

This plan is designed to comply with the State of California Vehicle Code Section 22112 and the Education Code, section 39831.3 and the Thomas Edward Lanni School Bus Safety Act of 1997.

SCOPE

The plan covers all county offices of education, school districts, public and private schools that provide transportation to and/or from a school or any other school activity. The plan contains procedures for school transportation department personnel to follow to ensure the safe transport of pupils.

The Dunsmuir Joint Union High School District has developed this Transportation Safety Plan to ensure the safe transportation of each of our students.

Bus transportation is a privilege extended only to students who display good conduct while preparing to ride, riding, or leaving the bus. Continued disorderly conduct or persistent refusal to submit to the authority of the driver will be sufficient reason for a student to be denied transportation.

Your participation in our school's transportation program is welcome. Please feel free to contact the Superintendent or Transportation Director for any further information or concerns at 235-4835.

Bus schedules for the school year are published on the web site before the opening of school each year. Students and families may obtain copies from the main office. Periodically all students receive current bus schedules as changes are made to accommodate changes in the bus route.

Students at Dunsmuir High School are entitled to be transported only if they live a distance greater than one-half mile from the school by the shortest route. The van/bus runs every day except when needed to transport students on an athletic or extracurricular outing, or in case of a breakdown.

Good behavior in a vehicle is a must for safety. The driver is in charge and serious rule infractions will result in students being subject to the standard disciplinary policy, which may include: detention, suspension or denial of transportation on a temporary or permanent basis.

The transportation rules are stated in the Dunsmuir Joint Union High School District Transportation Safety Plan included in this Student and Parent/Guardian Information Packet.

Students who wish to depart the van/bus at a site other than their home stop must have permission, in writing, from the parents/guardians. The van/bus may be periodically delayed due to the railroad or weather. **Please allow a 10 minute variation in this schedule.** A "10:00 Start Day", when announced, means that the van/bus will run 1 ½ hours later than stated below.

PROCEDURES FOR THE START OF A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

School bus routes will be posted at the schools the routes serve approximately one week prior to the start of school. Students riding a school bus to and from school during the first week of the new school year will receive a copy of the "Student and Parent Information Packet" which includes the current Transportation Safety Plan and a liability release form regarding the COVID-19 pandemic

and changes to transportation policy. This packet is taken home to the parents/guardians for review with the student. The parent/guardian will sign the appropriate forms stating they have received the packet.

PROCEDURES FOR ADDING A NEW STUDENT TO A SCHOOL BUS ROUTE

Upon registering the new student receives the Student and Parent Information Packet and must follow the same procedure as stated above. Students at D.H.S. are entitled to be transported by bus only if they live a distance greater than two miles from the school by the shortest route. When it is determined that the student lives in an area that qualifies for school bus transportation, the Transportation Director will be notified of the new student added to his/her route.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

See Appendix C Paul Lee School Bus Safety Law

Procedures will be followed to ensure that a pupil is not left unattended on a school bus, school pupil activity bus, or youth bus.

The post-trip check form is initialed by the driver verifying the bus has been checked for student/s at the end of each route; morning, afternoon and activity trip.

The bus is equipped with an operational child safety alert system.

Drivers will sanitize bus after each use, for cleanliness and safety.

SPECIAL TRIPS TRANSPORTATION

Transportation of students on field trips or to and from sport events shall be in accordance with BP/AR 6153.

The Bus driver will review required school bus safety instructions with students prior to departing on school activity trips.

LOADING AND UNLOADING

REQUIRED ELEMENTS OF SECTION 22112 OF THE VEHICLE CODE

- A. On approach to a school bus stop where pupils are loading or unloading from a school bus, the driver of the school bus shall activate an approved flashing amber light warning system, if the bus is so equipped, beginning 200 feet before the bus stop. The driver shall operate the flashing red signal lights and stop signal arm, as required on the school bus, at all times when the school bus is stopped for the purpose of loading or unloading pupils. The flashing red signal lights, amber warning lights, and stop signal arm system shall not be operated at any place where traffic is controlled by a traffic officer. The flashing red signal lights, amber warning lights, and stop signal arm system shall not be operated at any other time.
- B. The driver shall stop to load or unload pupils only at a school bus stop designated for pupils, by the school district's superintendent or authorized by the superintendent for school activity trips.

- C. When a school bus is stopped on a highway or private road for the purpose of loading or unloading pupils, at a location where traffic is not controlled by a traffic officer or official traffic control signal, the driver shall do all of the following:
1. Check for approaching traffic in all directions and activate the flashing red light signal system and stop signal arm, as defined in section 25257, if equipped with a stop signal arm.
 2. Before opening the door, ensure that the flashing red signal lights and stop signal arm are activated, and that it is safe to exit the school bus.
 3. Escort all pupils in pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, or any of grades 1 to 8, inclusive, which need to cross the highway or private road. The driver shall use an approved hand held □ STOP □ sign while escorting all pupils.
 4. Require all pupils to walk in front of the bus as they cross the highway or private road.
 5. Ensure that all pupils who need to cross the highway or a private road have crossed safely, and that all other unloaded pupils & pedestrians are a safe distance from the bus and it is safe to move before setting the bus in motion.
 6. Driver will insure that all riders are wearing masks prior to loading onto bus, and that all riders are aware of the one rider per seat limit.
- D. The flashing red signal lights and stop signal arm requirements imposed by sub-division (A) do not apply to locations identified by a school district in consultation with the Department of the California Highway Patrol, that are determined to present a unique traffic hazard due to roadway design or proximity to an intersection, or where special education pupils are boarding or pupils may require assistance to board or unload the school bus or school pupil activity bus. Areas as identified (see Appendix A).

AT A SCHOOL OR OTHER TRIP DESTINATION

Drivers will NOT operate the school bus amber/red warning lights and stop-arm at any official school loading zone.

Drivers will load or unload the bus only at safe loading and unloading zones. When driving special trips, the bus driver will make the final determination as to the safety of a loading or unloading zone.

SAFE CONDUCT AT SCHOOL BUS STOP

Students will practice safe pedestrian rules when walking to and while waiting at a school bus stop. Students will not damage private or public property, litter, engage in rowdy conduct, or walk in the streets. They shall cross roadways at intersections and shall use crosswalks and sidewalks whenever provided. The students will line up in a single row (with social distancing of six feet between students), six feet from the edge of the roadway as the bus approaches the school bus stop. Students will unload the bus in a single line, one at a time, without pushing the students in front of them. They will immediately move away from the danger areas around the school bus (at least twelve (12) feet in all directions.).

BUS CONDUCT

The safe transportation of our students requires drivers with a high level of competency, training and skill. All bus drivers meet the requirements of a comprehensive program of drug and alcohol testing as mandated by the Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act of 1991. All drivers for the District must have a DMV records on file with no more than two (2) violation points. The district requires students to practice safe riding habits. The Dunsmuir Joint Union High School District Governing Board has adopted rules and regulations to assist students in understanding their responsibilities while riding buses of the school district. These rules will assure safe and proper travel to and from school and are to be observed while riding the bus and waiting at school bus stops.

Parental support is important in order to ensure students know and use safe riding practices. The district asks that parents review the following rules with their students:

1. Riders shall follow the instructions and directions of the bus driver at all times.
2. Riders should arrive at the bus stop on time and stand in a safe place to wait quietly for the bus.
3. Riders shall enter the bus in an orderly manner, riders will wear masks at all times while on the bus, and go directly to their seats, loading from the back of the bus to the front of the bus. One student per seat maximum, sitting away from the aisle.
4. Riders shall remain seated while the bus is in motion and shall not willfully obstruct the aisle with their legs, feet or other objects. When reaching their destination, riders shall remain seated until the bus stops and only then enter the aisle and go directly to the exit.
5. Riders will not put their feet on the seats.
6. Riders should be courteous to the driver and to fellow passengers. Students shall not bully or harass other students, use vulgar or obscene language, or incite fighting by words or actions.
7. Serious safety hazards can result from excessive noise or behavior that distracts to driver. Yelling, whistling, scuffling, throwing objects, *eating, *drinking, standing and changing seats are prohibited actions which may lead to suspension of riding privileges.

***Eating and drinking on field trips and team trips will be at the discretion of the driver. Students are required to remove any and all trash.**

8. No part of the body, hands, arms or head should be put out of the window. No riders should be toughing or personally interacting with other riders. Nothings should be thrown from the bus.
9. No yelling or shouting from the bus windows or displaying of any signage or any kind.

10. Riders shall help keep the bus and the area around the bus stop clean. Riders shall not damage or deface the bus or tamper with the bus equipment. Parents/Guardians or pupils guilty of damage to a bus stop or its equipment shall pay for any necessary repairs.
11. No animals shall be allowed on the bus except certified guide dogs.
12. Riders should be alert for traffic when leaving the bus.
13. Items not permitted on campus may not be transported on the bus.
14. If equipped, must wear seatbelts.
15. No speakers or amplified music is allowed on the bus at any time. Headphones must be used!

SCHOOL BUSES: REDUCED VISIBILITY

34501.6.

The governing board of a local educational agency that provides for the transportation of pupils shall adopt procedures that limit the operation of school buses when atmospheric conditions reduce visibility on the roadway to 200 feet or less during regular home-to-school transportation service. Operational policies for school activity trips shall give school bus drivers discretionary authority to discontinue school bus operation if the driver determines that it is unsafe to continue operation because of reduced visibility.

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND EMERGENCIES

VC 39831.5

(a) All pupils in prekindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, in public or private school that are transported in a school bus or school pupil activity bus shall receive instruction in school bus emergency procedures and passenger safety. The county superintendent of schools, superintendent of the school district, or owner/operator of a private school, as applicable, shall ensure that the instruction is provided as follows:

(1) Upon registration, the parents or guardians of all pupils not previously transported in a school bus or school pupil activity bus and who are in prekindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 1 to 6, inclusive, shall be provided with written information on school bus safety. The information shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following:

- (A) A list of school bus stops near each pupil's home.
- (B) General rules of conduct at school bus loading zones.
- (C) Red light crossing instructions.
- (D) School bus danger zone.
- (E) Walking to and from school bus stops.

(2) At least once in each school year, all pupils in prekindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 1 to 8, inclusive, who receive home-to-school transportation shall receive safety instruction that includes, but is not limited to, proper loading and unloading procedures, including escorting by the

driver, how to safely cross the street, highway, or private road, instruction on the use of passenger restraint systems, as described in paragraph (3), proper passenger conduct, bus evacuation, and location of emergency equipment. Instruction also may include responsibilities of passengers seated next to an emergency exit. As part of the instruction, pupils shall evacuate the school bus through emergency exit doors.

(3) Instruction on the use of passenger restraint systems, when a passenger restraint system is installed, shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following:

- (A) Proper fastening and release of the passenger restraint system.
- (B) Acceptable placement of passenger restraint systems on pupils.

(C) Times at which the passenger restraint systems should be fastened and released.

(D) Acceptable placement of the passenger restraint systems when not in use.

(4) Prior to departure on a school activity trip, all pupils riding on a school bus or school pupil activity bus shall receive safety instruction that includes, but is not limited to, location of emergency exits, and location and use of emergency equipment. Instruction also may include responsibilities of passengers seated next to an emergency exit. (Appendix B)

(b) The following information shall be documented each time the instruction required by paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) is given:

- (1) Name of school district, county office of education, or private school.
- (2) Name and location of school.
- (3) Date of instruction.
- (4) Names of supervising adults.
- (5) Number of pupils participating.
- (6) Grade levels of pupils.
- (7) Subjects covered in instruction.
- (8) Amount of time taken for instruction.
- (9) Bus driver's name.
- (10) Bus number.
- (11) Additional remarks.

The information recorded pursuant to this subdivision shall remain on file at the district or county office, or at the school, for one year from the date of the instruction, and shall be subject to inspection by the Department of the California Highway Patrol.

PLAN REVIEW

- A. The Superintendent will review the plan on an annual basis to ensure that all sections have been implemented and all sections remain viable.
- B. The plan shall be revised as necessary.

TRAINING AND INFORMATION

- A. A training program shall be implemented which is designed to educate school bus drivers, pupils, and the public of the laws and dangers associated with pupil loading and unloading procedure.
- B. Training and information program per the California Highway Patrol and Central Drug System.
- C. The training and information program shall be conducted a minimum of annually.

APPENDIX A

LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED AS HAVING A UNIQUE TRAFFIC HAZARD

Railway Crossings marked on Bus Schedule

AM Bus Schedule

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The van/bus runs every day except when needed to transport students on an athletic or extracurricular outing, or in case of a breakdown. Good behavior in a vehicle is a must for safety. The driver is in charge and serious rule infractions will result in students being subject to the standard disciplinary policy, which may include: detention, suspension or denial of transportation on a temporary or permanent basis. The transportation rules are stated in the Dunsmuir Joint Union High School District Transportation Safety Plan included in this Student and Parent/Guardian Information Packet. Students who wish to depart the van/bus at a site other than their home stop must have permission, in writing, from the parents/guardians. The van/bus may be periodically delayed due to the railroad or weather. **Please allow a 10 minute variation in this schedule.** A "10:00 Start Day", when announced, means that the van/bus will run 1 ½ hours later than stated below.

**STUDENTS WHO LIVE WITHIN 1/2 MILE OF THE SCHOOL
WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RIDE THE BUS**

Castle Rock Bus #87 To Lakehead to pick up to 26 kids

Depart Castle Rock	6:40
Sims Rd	7:00
Lakehead Villa Maket	7:20
Dog Creek Rd	7:28
Gibson Rd	7:38
Sweetbriar Ave	7:50
Castle Rock Drop Off	7:55
Dunsmuir High School Drop Off	8:05

DES Bus #2 To Mt. Shasta up to 13 kids to pick up plus 28 CR kids on DHS bus

Depart DES	7:27
Mt Shasta Shopping Ctr, Teater	7:40
Mt Shasta Fish Hatchary	7:43
DES Drop Off	7:53
DHS Drop Off	7:57
Pick up Castle Rock kids from DHS	7:58
Castle Rock Drop Off	8:10

PM Bus Routes

updated 8-4-20

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DES Bus #2 To Dunsmuir and Mt. Shasta

Depart Castle Rock	2:35 Belnap Fountain	3:44
30789 Craig View	2:39 Ken's Payless	3:45
Rustic	2:40 Katherine	3:46
Railroad Crossing	2:41 Panoramic	3:47
Riverwood	2:43 Elizabeth	3:48
Mican	2:44 30789 Craig View	3:51
Marion	2:45 Rustic	3:52
Railroad Crossing	2:46 Railroad Crossing	3:53
Katherine	2:48 Riverwood	3:54
Panoramic	2:49 Mican	3:55
Elizabeth	2:50 Marion	3:56
Ken's Payless	2:54 Railroad Crossing	3:57
Belnap Fountain	2:55 Return to DES	3:58

Children's Park 2:56 **Castle Rock Bus #87**

Spring St	2:57 To Lakehead	
Recreation Dept	2:58 Depart Castle Rock	2:35
Isgrigg	2:59 Sweetbriar Ave	2:40
Mt Shasta Shopping Ctr, Teater	3:14 Sims Rd	2:45
DES Loading	3:30 Gibson Rd	2:50
Siskiyou Ave.	3:34 Dog Creek Rd	3:00
Prospect	3:35 Lakehead Villa Maket	3:10
Isgrigg	3:36 Return to Castle Rock	3:35

Wells 3:37 **DHS Van To Mt. Shasta**

Cave Springs	3:38 And Lakehead	
Recreation Dept	3:39 Departs DHS	4:00
Yak's	3:40 Mt shasta Fish Hatchary	4:15
Ash St	3:42 Lakehead Villa Maket	5:00
Children's Park	3:43 Returns to DHS	5:30

APPENDIX B

OUTLINE FOR INFORMING THE PUPIL

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY MANDATE

Education Code Section 39831.5(a)(3) requires that prior to departure on a school activity trip, all pupils riding on a school bus or pupil activity bus shall receive safety instruction which includes, but is not limited to, location of emergency exits, and location and use of emergency equipment. Instruction may include responsibilities of passengers next to an emergency exit.

School District/County Office **Dunsmuir Joint Union High School District**

Date of Request _____ Date of Trip _____ Departure Time _____

Departure from _____ Destination _____

Purpose of Trip and Comments _____

Person Making Request _____

Person in Charge _____ Supervising Adults _____

Number of students Transported _____ Grade Level/s _____

Driver Assigned _____ School Principal _____

Approved by _____ Superintendent _____

I, _____ driver for _____ spent
Name District/COE

_____ on _____ providing the following instruction.
Minutes Date

- 1. Location of emergency exits.
- 2. Location and use of emergency equipment.
- 3. Responsibilities of passengers next to emergency exits.
- 4. Evacuation procedures.
- 5. Other _____

APPENDIX C

Senate Bill 1072 Chapter 721

An act to amend Sections 39831.3, 39860, and 40085 of, and to add Section 39843 to, the Education Code, and to amend Section 13370 of, and to add Article 18 (commencing with Section 28160) to Chapter 5 of Division 12 of, the Vehicle Code, relating to school bus safety.

[Approved by Governor September 27, 2016. Filed with Secretary of State September 27, 2016.]

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1072, Mendoza. School Bus safety: child safety alert system.

Existing law requires the county superintendent of schools, the superintendent of a school district, or the owner or operator of a private school that provides transportation to or from a school or school activity to prepare a transportation safety plan containing procedures for school personnel to follow to ensure the safe transport of pupils, as prescribed.

This bill would require that plan to include procedures to ensure that a pupil is not left unattended on a school bus, school pupil activity bus, or youth bus, and procedures and standards for designating an adult chaperone, other than the driver, to accompany pupils on a school pupil activity bus. The bill would additionally require a charter school to prepare this plan.

Existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district to contract for the transportation of pupils attending schools within the district, as specified.

This bill would require the governing board of a school district to require that any contract for the transportation of pupils includes the requirement that a pupil shall not be left unattended on a school bus, school pupil activity bus, or youth bus, as provided.

Existing law requires applicants seeking to renew a certificate to drive a school bus or a school pupil activity bus to complete classroom instruction and training, as specified.

This bill would require that classroom instruction to also cover the inspection procedures to ensure pupils are not left unattended on a school bus or school pupil activity bus.

Existing law authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to refuse to issue or renew, and to revoke or suspend, a school bus, school pupil activity bus, or youth bus driver certificate under certain, listed conditions.

This bill would require certain school officials to notify the department when a driver of such a bus has left a pupil unattended onboard after a specified school entity or the driver's employer has ordered and upheld disciplinary action against the driver for the driver's actions and has made a finding that the driver's actions constituted gross negligence, as defined. The bill would authorize the department to refuse to issue or renew, and to revoke or suspend, a bus driver certificate on these grounds. The bill would permit a former applicant or holder of a certificate whose certificate was revoked pursuant to these provisions to reapply for a certificate if the certificate revocation is reversed or dismissed by the department.

Existing law requires all school buses to be equipped with certain safety features, as specified. This bill would require, on or before the beginning of the 2018–19 school year, school buses, school pupil activity buses, except as provided, youth buses, and child care motor vehicles to be equipped with a “child safety alert system,” which is a device located at the interior rear of a vehicle that requires the driver to either manually contact or scan the device before exiting the vehicle, thereby prompting the driver to inspect the entirety of the interior of the vehicle before exiting.

Because a violation of the above requirement would be a Vehicle Code infraction, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program by creating new crimes.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement. This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

DIGEST KEY

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: yes

BILL TEXT

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the Paul Lee School Bus Safety Law.

SEC. 2.

Section 39831.3 of the Education Code is amended to read:

39831.3.

(a) The county superintendent of schools, the superintendent of a school district, a charter school, or the owner or operator of a private school that provides transportation to or from a school or school activity shall prepare a transportation safety plan containing procedures for school personnel to follow to ensure the safe transport of pupils. The plan shall be revised as required. The plan shall address all of the following:

- (1) Determining if pupils require escort pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 22112 of the Vehicle Code.
 - (2) (A) Procedures for all pupils in prekindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 1 to 8, inclusive, to follow as they board and exit the appropriate school bus at each pupil’s school bus stop.
(B) Nothing in this paragraph requires a county superintendent of schools, the superintendent of a school district, a charter school, or the owner or operator of a private school that provides transportation to or from a school or school activity, to use the services of an onboard school bus monitor, in addition to the driver, to carry out the purposes of this paragraph.
 - (3) Boarding and exiting a school bus at a school or other trip destination.
 - (4) Procedures to ensure that a pupil is not left unattended on a school bus, school pupil activity bus, or youth bus.
 - (5) Procedures and standards for designating an adult chaperone, other than the driver, to accompany pupils on a school pupil activity bus.
- (b) A current copy of a plan prepared pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be retained by each school subject to the plan and made available upon request to an officer of the Department of the California Highway Patrol.

SEC. 3.

Section 39843 is added to the Education Code, to read:

39843.

(a) The county superintendent of schools, the superintendent of a school district, a charter school, or the owner or operator of a private school that provides transportation to or from a school or school activity shall notify the Department of Motor Vehicles, in a form and manner that the Department of Motor Vehicles specifies, within five calendar days after the county office of education, the governing board of a school district, the charter school, the owner or operator of the private school, or, in situations where the transportation services are contracted out, the driver's employer, has done both of the following:

(1) Ordered and upheld disciplinary action, after completion of disciplinary procedures conducted in compliance with rights granted by law or a collective bargaining agreement, against a driver of a school bus, school pupil activity bus, or youth bus who was found to have left the immediate vicinity of the vehicle to which the driver had been assigned with an unsupervised pupil onboard.

(2) Made a finding that the driver's actions constituted gross negligence.

(b) For purposes of this section, escorting pupils pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 22112 of the Vehicle Code shall not be considered leaving the immediate vicinity of the vehicle.

(c) For purposes of this section, "gross negligence" means the want of even scant care or an extreme departure from the ordinary standard of conduct.

SEC. 4.

Section 39860 of the Education Code is amended to read:

39860.

(a) The governing board of a school district may contract for the transportation of pupils attending schools within the district to and from any exposition or fair, school activities, or other activities that the governing board of the school district determines to be for the benefit of the pupils, in this state, and may pay for the transportation out of any funds of the school district available for the purpose.

(b) The governing board of a school district shall require that any contract for the transportation of pupils under this section shall include the requirement that a pupil shall not be left unattended on a school bus, school pupil activity bus, or youth bus in accordance with paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 39831.3.

SEC. 5.

Section 40085 of the Education Code is amended to read:

40085.

Applicants seeking to renew a certificate to drive a school bus as defined in Section 545 of the Vehicle Code or a school pupil activity bus as defined in Section 546 of the Vehicle Code shall have successfully completed at least 10 hours of original or renewal classroom instruction, or behind-the-wheel or in-service training, during each 12 months of certificate validity. In-service training credit may be given by a state-certified driver instructor of the appropriate class to an applicant for attending or participating in appropriate driver training workshops, driver safety meetings, driver safety conferences, and other activities directly related to passenger safety and driver training. During the last 12 months of the special driver certificate validity, the 10 hours required shall consist of classroom instruction covering, but not limited to, current laws and regulations, defensive driving, accident prevention, emergency procedures, passenger loading and unloading, and the inspection procedures pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 39831.3. Failure to successfully complete the required training during any 12-month period of certificate validity is cause for the Department of Motor Vehicles to cancel the bus driver certificate. All training required by Section 40089 may be accepted in lieu of the requirements of this section.

SEC. 6.

Section 13370 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:

13370.

(a) The department shall refuse to issue or shall revoke a school bus, school pupil activity bus, general public paratransit vehicle, or youth bus driver certificate, or a certificate for a vehicle used for the transportation of developmentally disabled persons, if any of the following causes apply to the applicant or certificate holder:

- (1) Has been convicted of a sex offense as defined in Section 44010 of the Education Code.
- (2) Has been convicted, within two years, of an offense specified in Section 11361.5 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (3) Has failed to meet prescribed training requirements for certificate issuance.
- (4) Has failed to meet prescribed testing requirements for certificate issuance.
- (5) Has been convicted of a violent felony listed in subdivision (c) of Section 667.5 of the Penal Code, or a serious felony listed in subdivision (c) of Section 1192.7 of the Penal Code. This paragraph shall not be applied to revoke a license that was valid on January 1, 2005, unless the certificate holder is convicted for an offense that is committed on or after that date.

(b) The department may refuse to issue or renew, or may suspend or revoke a school bus, school pupil activity bus, general public paratransit vehicle, or youth bus driver certificate, or a certificate for a vehicle used for the transportation of developmentally disabled persons, if any of the following causes apply to the applicant or certificate holder:

- (1) Has been convicted of a crime specified in Section 44424 of the Education Code within seven years. This paragraph does not apply if denial is mandatory.
- (2) Has committed an act involving moral turpitude.
- (3) Has been convicted of an offense, not specified in this section and other than a sex offense, that is punishable as a felony, within seven years.
- (4) Has been dismissed as a driver for a cause relating to pupil transportation safety.
- (5) Has been convicted, within seven years, of an offense relating to the use, sale, possession, or transportation of narcotics, habit-forming drugs, or dangerous drugs, except as provided in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a).
- (6) Has been reported to the Department of Motor Vehicles, pursuant to Section 39843 of the Education Code, for leaving a pupil unattended on a school bus, school pupil activity bus, or youth bus.

(c) (1) Reapplication following refusal or revocation under paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of subdivision (a) or any paragraph of subdivision (b) may be made after a period of not less than one year after the effective date of refusal or revocation.

(2) Reapplication following refusal or revocation under paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) may be made after a period of not less than 45 days after the date of the applicant's third testing failure.

(3) An applicant or holder of a certificate may reapply for a certificate whenever a felony or misdemeanor conviction is reversed or dismissed. A termination of probation and dismissal of charges pursuant to Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code or a dismissal of charges pursuant to Section 1203.4a of the Penal Code is not a dismissal for purposes of this section.

(4) A former applicant or holder of a certificate whose certificate was revoked pursuant to paragraph (6) of subdivision (b) may reapply for a certificate if the certificate revocation is reversed or dismissed by the department.

SEC. 7.

Article 18 (commencing with Section 28160) is added to Chapter 5 of Division 12 of the Vehicle Code, to read:

Article 18. Child Safety Alert System

28160.

(a) On or before January 1, 2018, the department shall adopt regulations governing the specifications, installation, and use of child safety alert systems.

(b) (1) On or before the beginning of the 2018–19 school year, each school bus, school pupil activity bus, except as provided in paragraph (2), youth bus, and child care motor vehicle shall be equipped with an operational child safety alert system.

(2) A school pupil activity bus is not required to be equipped with an operational child safety alert system if all of the following apply:

(A) The school pupil activity bus is not used exclusively to transport pupils.

(B) When the school pupil activity bus is used to transport pupils, the pupils are accompanied by at least one adult chaperone selected by a school official. If an adult chaperone is not a school employee, the chaperone shall meet the requirements for a school volunteer established by the policies of the school district, county office of education, charter school, or private school.

(C) One adult chaperone has a list of every pupil and adult chaperone, including a school employee, who is on the school pupil activity bus at the time of departure.

(D) The driver has reviewed all safety and emergency procedures before the initial departure and the driver and adult chaperone have signed a form with the time and date acknowledging that the safety plan and procedures were reviewed.

(E) Immediately before departure from any location, the adult chaperone shall account for each pupil on the list of pupils, verify the number of pupils to the driver, and sign a form indicating that all pupils are present or accounted for.

(F) After pupils have exited a school pupil activity bus, and before driving away, the driver shall check all areas of the bus, including, but not limited to, overhead compartments and bathrooms, to ensure that the bus is vacant.

(G) The driver shall sign a form with the time and date verifying that all required procedures have been followed.

(H) The information required to be recorded pursuant to subparagraphs (D), (E), and (G) may be recorded on a single form. These forms shall be retained by the school district, county office of education, charter school, or private school for a minimum of two years.

(c) A “child safety alert system” is a device located at the interior rear of a vehicle that requires the driver to either manually contact or scan the device before exiting the vehicle, thereby prompting the driver to inspect the entirety of the interior of the vehicle before exiting.

(d) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

(1) “Child care motor vehicle” means a vehicle designed, used, or maintained for more than eight persons, including the driver, that is used by a child care provider to transport children.

(2) “Child care provider” has the same meaning as provided for “day care center” in Section 1596.76 of the Health and Safety Code.

SEC. 8.

No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution.

DUNSMUIR JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BUS DRIVER'S VEHICLE AND DAILY REPORT BUS #96

CIRCLE ONE: SUN MON TUES WED THURS FRI SAT DATE: _____

AM RUN: BEG MILEAGE: _____ END MILEAGE; _____ TOTAL MILEAGE: _____ STUDENTS: HS _____ ELE _____

BUS INSPECTED TO ENSURE NO STUDENTS ARE LEFT UNATTENDED, DRIVER'S INITIALS _____

PM RUN: BEG MILEAGE: _____ END MILEAGE; _____ TOTAL MILEAGE: _____ STUDENTS: HS _____ ELE _____

BUS INSPECTED TO ENSURE NO STUDENTS ARE LEFT UNATTENDED, DRIVER'S INITIALS _____

ALTERNATE TRANSPORTATION USED- **HOME TO SCHOOL TOTALS: MILEAGE: _____ STUDENTS: HS _____ ELE _____**

EXTRA CURRICULAR: FROM _____ TO _____ PURPOSE: _____

STUDENTS TO : _____ # RETURNING: _____ BEG MILEAGE: _____ END MILEAGE; _____

TOTAL MILEAGE: _____

BUS INSPECTED TO ENSURE NO STUDENTS ARE LEFT UNATTENDED, DRIVER'S INITIALS _____

INSPECT ITEMS LISTED - IF DEFECTIVE, NUMBER AND DESCRIBE IN "REMARKS"

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| <p>___ FLUID LEAKS UNDER BUS</p> <p>___ LOOSE WIRES, HOUSE CONNECTIONS</p> <p>___ EXHAUST SYSTEM & TAIL PIPE</p> <p>___ BELTS IN ENGINE COMPARTMENT</p> <p>___ OIL LEVEL</p> <p>___ RADIATOR COOLANT LEVEL</p> <p>___ REAR TIRES & WHEELS * 2/32"</p> <p>___ REAR OF BUS WINDOWS & LIGHTS</p> <p>___ WIPERS & WASHERS</p> <p>___ DIRECTIONAL LIGHTS</p> <p>___ PARKING BRAKE/SERVICE BRAKE* 3 *2 psi</p> <p>___ FIRTAID KIT</p> <p>___ CHAINS</p> | <p>___ EMRGENCY DOOR & BUZZER</p> <p>___ HEADLIGHTS, FLASHERS & 4-WAY</p> <p>___ CROSSOVERS</p> <p>___ FRONT TIRES & WHEEL * 4/32"</p> <p>___ FRONT OF BUS - WINDSHIELD</p> <p>___ CONDITION OF FL00R</p> <p>___ CLEANLINESS OF INTERIOR</p> <p>___ EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT</p> <p>___ BRAKE PEDAL & WARNING LIGHT</p> <p>___ DRIVER'S SEAT AND BELT</p> <p>___ HORN</p> <p>___ FANS & DEFROSTERS</p> <p>EXHAUST FILTER REGENERATION _____</p> | <p>___ RIGHT SIDE OF BUS - WINDOWS & LIGHTS</p> <p>___ LEFT SIDE OF BUS - WINDOWS & LIGHTS</p> <p>___ ENTRANCE STEPS, DOOR & LITE</p> <p>___ BATTERY</p> <p>___ TRANSMISSION</p> <p>___ UNUSUAL ENGINE NOISE</p> <p>___ GAUGES & WARNING LIGHTS</p> <p>___ SWITCHES</p> <p>___ STEERING</p> <p>___ INSIDE & OUISIDE MIRRORS</p> |
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REMARKS

THE ABOVE DEFECTS HAVE BEEN CORRECTED OR NEED NOT TO BE CORRECTED FOR SAFE OPERATION.

SUPERINTENDENT'S SIGNATURE _____

CONDITION OF ABOVE VEHICLE IS: ___ SATISFACTORY ___ UNSATISFACTORY BUS EVAC: _____

DRIVER'S SIGNATURE: _____ FUEL: _____ GALS. & ODOM. _____