

# SENATE BILL No. 1054

February 22, 2006, Introduced by Senator SWITALSKI and referred to the Committee on Transportation.

A bill to amend 1990 PA 187, entitled  
"The pupil transportation act,"  
by amending section 39 (MCL 257.1839).

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 39. (1) ~~The~~ **BEGINNING JULY 1, 2006, THE** department of  
2 state police ~~shall~~ **MAY, UPON REQUEST OF A PERSON HAVING CONTROL**  
3 **OVER THE OPERATION OF A SCHOOL BUS OR PUPIL TRANSPORTATION VEHICLE,**  
4 inspect each school bus and pupil transportation vehicle annually,  
5 and more frequently at a school where school bus or pupil  
6 transportation vehicle defects have been found **AND IF REQUESTED,** to  
7 determine if the school bus or pupil transportation vehicle meets  
8 the requirements of this act and the rules promulgated pursuant to  
9 this act. The department of state police may delegate the

1 inspection of school buses to publicly employed inspectors if the  
2 inspection complies with this section.

3 (2) Inspection of a school bus or pupil transportation vehicle  
4 may be accomplished at any time, at any location, on or off a  
5 school site, and as frequently as ~~the department of state police~~  
6 ~~considers necessary to secure passenger safety~~ **REQUESTED UNDER**  
7 **THIS SECTION.** A school bus or pupil transportation vehicle may be  
8 rejected by the inspecting state police official for further use in  
9 transportation of passengers if it does not meet the requirements  
10 of this act and the rules promulgated pursuant to this act.  
11 However, if a school bus or pupil transportation vehicle is  
12 determined to be safe for operation even though in unsatisfactory  
13 condition, the official may determine that not more than 60 days  
14 shall be allowed to effect a specific repair.

15 ~~—— (3) A person having control over the operation of a school bus~~  
16 ~~or pupil transportation vehicle shall not operate or permit to be~~  
17 ~~operated a school bus or pupil transportation vehicle which has not~~  
18 ~~been inspected under this section.~~

19 (3) **THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE MAY CHARGE THE REQUESTING**  
20 **PARTY A FEE THAT COVERS THE COST OF THE INSPECTION.**

21 (4) A modified school bus which uses liquefied petroleum gas  
22 shall not be used to transport pupils unless the installation of  
23 the fuel system has been inspected and approved as safe by the  
24 department of state police.