

The Senate Committee on Public Safety offered the following substitute to SB 25:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 40-6-163 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to duty
2 of driver of vehicle meeting or overtaking school bus, reporting of violations, and civil
3 monetary penalty for violations captured by school bus camera, so as to clarify when the
4 driver of a vehicle need not stop upon meeting or passing a school bus; to provide for related
5 matters; to provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting
6 laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

8 Code Section 40-6-163 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to duty of driver
9 of vehicle meeting or overtaking school bus, reporting of violations, and civil monetary
10 penalty for violations captured by school bus camera, is amended by revising subsection (b)
11 as follows:
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13 "(b) The driver of a vehicle upon a highway with separate roadways ~~or a divided highway,~~
14 ~~including, but not limited to, a highway divided by a turn lane,~~ that are separated by a grass
15 median, unpaved area, or physical barrier need not stop upon meeting or passing a school
16 bus which is on ~~a different~~ the separate roadway ~~or on another half of a divided highway,~~
17 or upon a controlled access highway when the school bus is stopped in a loading zone
18 which is a part of or adjacent to such highway and where pedestrians are not permitted to
19 cross the roadway."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 Any violation of subsection (b) of Code Section 40-6-163 of the Official Code of Georgia
22 Annotated shall be adjudicated and punished based upon such subsection as it existed at the
23 time the violation was committed.

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SECTION 3.

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This Act shall become effective upon approval of this Act by the Governor or upon its

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becoming law without such approval.

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SECTION 4.

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All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.