

HB 1758 - AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL **1758**

AN ACT relative to school bus drivers' certificates.

SPONSORS: Rep. Oppel, Graf. 9; Rep. Giasson, Hills. 29; Rep. Fracht, Graf. 16; Rep. Damon, Sull. 8

COMMITTEE: Transportation

ANALYSIS

This bill provides an alternative path to obtaining a school bus driver's certificate through being currently certified as a school bus driver in the state of Vermont.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

AN ACT relative to school bus drivers' certificates.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 1 Drivers' Licenses; School Bus Driver's Certificate. Amend RSA 263:29 to read as follows:
2 263:29 School Bus Driver's Certificate. The owner of any school bus or provider of school
3 transportation vehicle services transporting children to and from any private or public school, or the
4 owner of any bus owned or used by a religious organization or a nonprofit organization used
5 exclusively as a bus for the transportation of its members in connection with functions of the
6 organization, shall submit to the authorities in the town or city or to the organization which pays for
7 said transportation a list of names of the persons who are to drive the buses or school transportation
8 vehicles used in such transportation. Such authority shall submit the list of names to the
9 department requesting an investigation of each driver's criminal and motor vehicle record. If such
10 driver is found to be qualified to bear the responsibility of such transportation, the division shall
11 cause said driver to be examined under the rules adopted pursuant to RSA 265:58. No person shall
12 drive a school bus or school transportation vehicle unless he *or she* has satisfactorily passed the
13 special examination for said driving *or has provided proof of being currently certified to drive*
14 *a school bus in the state of Vermont* and received from the division a special school bus driver's
15 certificate for a school bus or school transportation vehicle. The director may revoke such special
16 school bus driver's certificate for good cause shown.
17 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.