

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1969 SESSION

CHAPTER 952
HOUSE BILL 1241

1 AN ACT TO AMEND G.S. 20-217 TO STRENGTHEN THE REQUIREMENT THAT
2 VEHICLES STOP UPON APPROACHING SCHOOL BUSES.

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4 The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:
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6 **Section 1.** G.S. 20-217 as the same appears in the 1965 Replacement Volume 1C of
7 the General Statutes is amended by rewriting the first sentence beginning in line 1 and ending
8 with the word "barrier" appearing in line 18 to read as follows:

9 "Every person using, operating, or driving a motor vehicle upon the roads and highways of
10 this State or upon any street of any town or city in this State, upon approaching from any
11 direction on the same road, highway or street any school bus or any privately-owned bus
12 transporting children to and from any school, church, or Sunday school, while such bus is
13 stopped and engaged in receiving or discharging passengers therefrom upon the roads or
14 highways of the State or upon any of the streets of cities and towns of the State, or at any time
15 while such bus is displaying its mechanical stop signal, shall bring his motor vehicle to a full
16 stop before passing or attempting to pass such bus and shall remain stopped until the
17 mechanical stop signal of the bus has been withdrawn or until such bus has moved on; except,
18 that the driver of a vehicle upon any road, highway or street which has been divided into two
19 roadways, so constructed as to separate vehicular traffic between the two roadways by an
20 intervening space or by a physical barrier, need not stop upon meeting or passing any such bus
21 which has stopped in the roadway across such dividing space or physical barrier.

22 **Sec. 2.** All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

23 **Sec. 3.** This Act shall become effective upon its ratification.

24 In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 19th day of June,

25 1969.