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Introduced by M. of A. BURKE, DARLING, RIVERA, LUNSFORD, WILLIAMS, BRON-
SON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to requiring a
school bus attendant or school bus monitor on all school buses

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assem-
bly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 1229-d of the vehicle and traffic
law, as added by chapter 675 of the laws of 1985, is amended to read as
follows:

(1) (a) Every school bus operating in this state, which is transport-
ing students in kindergarten through sixth grade to or from school or to
or from any school related activity, shall have either a school bus
attendant or school bus monitor on board.

(b) The school bus attendant required by this section shall, in addi-
tion to keeping order on the bus, assist any child under the age of
thirteen, or any student with a disability with boarding and leaving the
bus and by crossing the street with the child where necessary.

(c) "School bus attendant" shall mean a person employed or authorized
by a school district to ride on a school bus as defined in paragraph (a)
of subdivision one of section five hundred nine-a of this chapter for
the purpose of maintaining order [ex] and rendering assistance to
[pupils with special needs] students, including any student with a disa-
bility.

(d) "School bus monitor" shall mean any person employed or authorized
by a school district to ride on a school bus as defined in paragraph (a)
of subdivision one of section five hundred nine-a of this chapter for
the purpose of assisting children to safely embark and disembark from a
school bus which is owned, leased or contracted for by a public school
district or board of cooperative educational services, and for the
purpose of assisting the school bus driver with maintaining proper
student behavior on such school bus.

§ 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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