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SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5114

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By Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Murray, Bailey, Bauer, Thorsness, Erwin, Gaspard, A. Smith, Rinehart, Madsen, Talmadge, Wojahn, Rasmussen, Conner and Snyder; by request of Task Force on Student Transp. Safety).

Read first time March 7, 1991.

1 AN ACT Relating to student transportation; adding a new section to 2 chapter 46.37 RCW; and creating new sections.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 46.37 RCW
to read as follows:

6 Effective September 1, 1992, every school bus shall, in addition to 7 any other equipment required by this chapter, be equipped with a 8 crossing arm mounted to the bus that, when extended, will require 9 students who are crossing in front of the bus to walk more than five 10 feet from the front of the bus.

11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. By October 1, 1991, the superintendent 12 of public instruction shall purchase the crossing arms required in 13 section 1 of this act for every public school bus owned by a school 14 district or under contract by a school district. By March 1, 1992, the superintendent of public instruction shall distribute, or have
 distributed, the crossing arms to the school districts. Installation of
 the crossing arms shall be the responsibility of the school districts.

<u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 3. If specific funding for the purposes of
this act, referencing this act by bill number, is not provided by June
30, 1991, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act shall be null and
void.