Alabama’s NEW School Bus Stop Law
Effective October 1, 2006

“The driver of a vehicle upon meeting or overtaking from either direction any school bus which has stopped for the purpose of receiving or discharging any school children on a highway, on a roadway, on school property, or upon a private road shall bring the vehicle to a complete stop before reaching the school bus ...”

“The driver of a vehicle upon a divided highway having four or more lanes which permits at least two lanes of traffic to travel in opposite directions need not stop the vehicle upon meeting a school bus which is stopped in the opposing roadway ...”

STOP FOR SCHOOL BUSES ... IT’S THE LAW!

1st Offense: ..........$150 - $300 Fine
2nd Offense: ..........$300 - $500 Fine, 100 hours community service, 30 day driver license suspension
3rd Offense: ..........$500 - $1000 Fine, 200 hours community service, 90 day driver license suspension
4th Offense: ..........$1000 - $3000 Fine, Class “C” Felony, one year driver license suspension

REPORT VIOLATIONS OF THE SCHOOL BUS PASSING LAW TO LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT!

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