

House Bill 936

By: Representatives Battles of the 15th, Rynders of the 152nd, Roberts of the 154th, Coleman of the 97th, Maxwell of the 17th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 20-2-188 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 student transportation, so as to provide that the replacement allowance for purchasing new
3 school buses shall also be available to refurbish existing school buses; to provide for related
4 matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 20-2-188 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to student
8 transportation, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

9 "(a.1) Any funds that the State Board of Education allocates for school bus replacement
10 may be used by local boards of education to refurbish existing school buses. Bus
11 replacement funds may not be restricted by the state board for use only in purchasing new
12 or replacement school buses. Any school buses that are refurbished using bus replacement
13 funds from the state board shall not be eligible for any state funds for replacement or
14 refurbishment for seven years after the initial refurbishing. The total amount of funds
15 expended by the state and local board for refurbishing a school bus shall not exceed
16 \$30,000.00. Any school bus that is refurbished shall be subject to all safety and
17 maintenance inspection requirements provided for by law."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2010.

20 **SECTION 3.**

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.