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House Bill 11

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 20-2-1126 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 written policies and procedures for operation of school buses, so as to require local school
- 3 systems to establish specific procedures and safety precautions regarding unloading children
- 4 under eight years of age from a school bus; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Code Section 20-2-1126 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to written
- 8 policies and procedures for operation of school buses, is amended by revising subsection (a)
- 9 as follows:

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- 10 "(a) Each public school system in this state shall promulgate policies and procedures for
- the operation of school buses and the conduct and safety of those students who ride such
- buses. Such policies shall include specific procedures and safety precautions regarding
- 13 <u>unloading children under eight years of age from a school bus.</u> Such policies and
- procedures shall be in writing and available for public inspection. Each person employed
- as a school bus driver shall acknowledge in writing that he or she has received a copy of
- and has read and understands such policies and procedures. In the event that such policies
- and procedures are amended during the school year, such amended policies and procedures
- shall be provided to all persons employed by the school system as school bus drivers, and
- each such person shall acknowledge in writing that he or she has received a copy of and

has read and understands such amended policies and procedures."

21 SECTION 2.

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.