

Senate Bill 25

By: Senator Heath of the 31st

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 40-6-163 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to duty  
2 of driver of vehicle meeting or overtaking school bus, reporting of violations, and civil  
3 monetary penalty for violations captured by school bus camera, so as to clarify when the  
4 driver of a vehicle need not stop upon meeting or passing a school bus; to provide for related  
5 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 40-6-163 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to duty of driver  
9 of vehicle meeting or overtaking school bus, reporting of violations, and civil monetary  
10 penalty for violations captured by school bus camera, is amended by revising subsection (b)  
11 as follows:

12 "(b) The driver of a vehicle upon a highway with separate roadways ~~or a divided highway,~~  
13 ~~including, but not limited to, a highway divided by a turn lane;~~ that are separated by a grass  
14 median, unpaved area, or physical barrier need not stop upon meeting or passing a school  
15 bus which is on ~~a different~~ the separate roadway ~~or on another half of a divided highway,~~  
16 or upon a controlled access highway when the school bus is stopped in a loading zone  
17 which is a part of or adjacent to such highway and where pedestrians are not permitted to  
18 cross the roadway."

19 **SECTION 2.**

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.