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S.B. No. 693

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to three-point seat belts on buses that transport 3 schoolchildren. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 4 SECTION 1. Section 547.701(e), Transportation Code, 5 is amended to read as follows: 6 (e) In this subsection, "bus" includes a school bus, [and a] 7 school activity bus, multifunction school activity bus, or 8 school-chartered bus. A bus operated by or contracted for use by a 9 school district for the transportation of schoolchildren shall be 10 equipped with a three-point seat belt for each passenger, including 11 12 the operator. This subsection does not apply to a bus purchased by a school district that is a model year 2017 or earlier [applies to: 13 [(1) each bus purchased by a school district on or 14 after September 1, 2010, for the transportation of schoolchildren; 15 16 and [(2) each school-chartered bus contracted for use by a 17 school district on or after September 1, 2011, for the 18 transportation of schoolchildren]. 19 20 SECTION 2. Section 547.701(f), Transportation Code, is 21 repealed. 22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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