

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE BILL 812  
Health Care Committee Substitute Adopted 5/2/07**

Short Title: Study Safety Restraints on School Buses.

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Referred to:

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March 15, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE CHILD FATALITY TASK FORCE TO STUDY ISSUES  
3 RELATING TO REQUIRING THE INSTALLATION AND USE OF  
4 PASSENGER SAFETY RESTRAINT SYSTEMS ON SCHOOL BUSES.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The North Carolina Child Fatality Task Force shall study and  
7 analyze the feasibility of the use of safety restraints by passengers on school buses and  
8 school activity buses. In conducting the study, the Task Force shall consider:

- 9 (1) A determination whether safety restraints are necessary to enhance the  
10 safety of passengers on school buses;  
11 (2) An evaluation of the cost of requiring passenger restraint systems on  
12 buses to be purchased, leased, or contracted for use on or after July 1,  
13 2009;  
14 (3) An evaluation of the cost of installing passenger restraint systems on  
15 buses currently owned and operated by local boards of education; and  
16 (4) The manner by which the local boards of education may enforce the  
17 use of safety restraints by passengers on school buses and school  
18 activity buses.

19 The Task Force shall report its findings and recommendations, including recommended  
20 legislation to the 2008 Regular Session of the 2007 General Assembly on or before May  
21 1, 2008.

22 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.