HLS 10RS-226 ORIGINAL

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 968

1

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBIDEAUX

MTR VEHICLE/BUSES: Clarifies exemption for school buses and usage of child passenger restraint systems

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:295(B)(1), relative to passenger restraint systems; to provide 3 for exemptions; to provide for school buses; and to provide for related matters. 4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 5 Section 1. R.S. 32:295(B)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 6 §295. Child passenger restraint system 7 8 B.(1) The term "motor vehicle" as used in this Section shall not mean the 9 following: bicycle; farm tractor; motorcycle or motor-driven cycle; truck of 10 manufacturer's rating carrying capacity of over two thousand pounds; ambulance or 11 other emergency vehicle; school bus, as defined in R.S. 32:1(62)(a) and (b), used to 12 transport persons for any purpose; church bus, private bus, or recreational vehicle 13 which has a passenger capacity of over ten persons; or commercial truck, van, or 14 taxi. 15

DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

Robideaux HB No. 968

Abstract: Clarifies that school buses used for transporting persons for any purpose are not included in the definition of motor vehicles that are required to have children under 13 years of age properly secured.

<u>Present law</u> requires a driver of a motor vehicle to properly secure children under 13 years of age in a motor vehicle.

Present law states that "motor vehicle" does not mean certain school buses.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and states that certain school buses used for any purpose are not deemed "motor vehicles" for purposes of the requirement of having children under the age of 13 properly secured in a motor vehicle.

(Amends R.S. 32:295(B)(1))