

# HOUSE BILL 644

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By: **Prince George's County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2010

Assigned to: Ways and Means

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Prince George's County – Transportation of Public School Students – School**  
3 **Buses**

4 **PG 404–10**

5 FOR the purpose of requiring the use of school buses in Prince George's County to  
6 transport certain students who live within a certain walking distance of certain  
7 schools; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the transportation of  
8 public school students in Prince George's County.

9 BY adding to  
10 Article – Education  
11 Section 7–805.1  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
15 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

16 **Article – Education**

17 **7–805.1.**

18 **(A) IN THIS SECTION, “WALKING DISTANCE” MEANS THE MOST DIRECT**  
19 **ROUTE TO WALK BETWEEN THE PROPERTY LINE OF A STUDENT’S HOME AND**  
20 **THE PROPERTY LINE OF A STUDENT’S SCHOOL THAT MEETS AN ACCEPTABLE**  
21 **LEVEL OF SAFETY AS DETERMINED BY THE TRANSPORTATION OFFICE OF THE**  
22 **PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(B) IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, A SCHOOL BUS SHALL BE USED TO**  
2 **TRANSPORT:**

3                   **(1) AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT WHO ATTENDS A PUBLIC**  
4 **SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY AND LIVES MORE THAN A 0.25-MILE WALKING**  
5 **DISTANCE OF THE SCHOOL; AND**

6                   **(2) A MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT OR A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT**  
7 **WHO ATTENDS A PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE COUNTY AND LIVES MORE THAN A**  
8 **1-MILE WALKING DISTANCE OF THE SCHOOL.**

9           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
10 July 1, 2010.