## **HOUSE BILL 1321**

## By Helton-Haynes

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49 and Title 55, relative to the use of global positioning systems while operating school buses.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-192(c), is amended by deleting the word "or" at the end of subdivision (1); by deleting the period at the end of subdivision (2) and substituting instead "; or"; and by adding the following as a new subdivision:

- (3) The use of a portable electronic device for navigation of the school bus through use of the device's global positioning system if:
  - (A) Neither of the driver's hands are used to hold the device or to enter data into the device while the school bus is in motion;
  - (B) The device is mounted on the school bus's windshield, dashboard, or center console area in a manner that does not hinder the driver's view of the road; and
- (C) The driver views only data related to the navigation of the school bus. SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.