Public Law 94-346 94th Congress

An Act

To amend the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966 to authorize appropriations.

July 8, 1976 [H.R. 9291]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 121 of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966 (15 U.S.C. 1409) is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 121. There are authorized to be appropriated for the purpose of carrying out this Act, not to exceed \$13,000,000 for the transition period July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976, \$60,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, and \$60,000,000 for the fiscal

year ending September 30, 1978.".

Sec. 2. Section 103(i) (1) (B) of such Act is amended by striking out "the expiration of the nine-month period which begins on the date of promulgation of such safety standards" and inserting in lieu thereof "April 1, 1977".

Sec. 3. Section 103(i) of such Act is amended by adding at the end

thereof the following new paragraph:

"(3) Not later than six months after the date of enactment of this section, the Secretary shall conduct a study and report to Congress on (A) the factors relating to the schoolbus vehicle which contribute to the occurrence of schoolbus accidents and resultant injuries, and (B) actions which can be taken to reduce the likelihood of occurrence of such accidents and severity of such injuries. Such study shall consider, among other things, the extent to which injuries may be reduced through the use of seat belts and other occupant restraint systems in schoolbus accidents, and an examination of the extent to which the age of schoolbuses increases the likelihood of accidents and resultant injuries."

National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, amendment. Appropriation authorization.

Schoolbus equipment safety standards. 15 USC 1392.

Study; report to Congress.

Approved July 8, 1976.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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June 11, considered and passed House.

June 24, considered and passed Senate, amended, in lieu of S. 2323.

June 29, House concurred in Senate amendment.