

HOUSE No. 3688

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON, April 17, 1962.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I am returning, herewith, without my approval, House Bill 3588 entitled "An Act Increasing the Speed at Which School Buses May Be Operated While Carrying School Children".

The necessity or the desirability of increasing the speed of operation of school buses while carrying school children is inconsistent with due regard for safety on the highway.

Our highways are being cluttered and the dangers thereon are increasing. I construe this legislation as lowering our safety standards at a time when the General Court and I are equally concerned with eliminating hazards on our roads.

The conveyance of school children by school bus is generally in conformance with time schedules set and established to conform distances with safe speeds. There are no exigencies in this form of transportation that could require speeds other than the existing accepted and proved speed limits.

For the above reasons, I cannot, in good conscience, approve the measure.

Very truly yours,

JOHN A. VOLPE,
Governor of the Commonwealth.

