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By Mr. Benson of Greenfield, petition of William D. Benson and Jonathan L. Healy for legislation to increase the penalties for failing to stop when approaching a stopped school bus displaying flashing lights. Criminal Justice.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Four.

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AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR FAILING TO STOP WHEN APPROACHING A STOPPED SCHOOL BUS WITH FLASHING LIGHTS ON.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 14 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as most recently  
2 amended by chapter 127 of the acts of 1977, is hereby further  
3 amended by adding the following paragraph:—

4 Any person convicted of a violation of this section relative to the  
5 provisions requiring vehicles approaching a vehicle which displays  
6 a sign bearing the words "SCHOOL BUS" and is equipped with  
7 front and rear alternating flashing red signal lamps which are  
8 flashing to stop, shall be punished by a fine of not more than fifty  
9 dollars for the first offense, not less than fifty dollars nor more than  
10 one hundred dollars for a second offense, and not less than one  
11 hundred nor more than two hundred dollars for subsequent  
12 offenses.

