

## HR 6461

### Bring Enhanced Liability in Transportation for Students Act

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Transportation and Public Works

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** TN • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 7, 2016
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 7, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Bring Enhanced Liability in Transportation for Students Act**

This bill authorizes the Department of Transportation (DOT) to award grants to states to develop a school bus seat belt demonstration program to purchase type 1 school buses (weighing more than 10,000 pounds) equipped with lap/shoulder seat belts or equip existing type 1 buses with such belts.

DOT shall withhold 10% of a state's apportionment of certain federal-aid highway funds if the state has not enacted a law that requires the employer to conduct background checks before hiring school bus drivers.

DOT shall also withhold 10% of a state's apportionment of certain federal-aid highway funds if the state has not enacted and is not enforcing a law that imposes specified first offense and second offense civil and criminal penalties for motorists found guilty of illegally passing a stopped school bus.

The bill authorizes DOT to provide grants to states to equip school buses with motion-activated detection systems.

## **Actions Timeline**

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