HB 257 -- HEAD START SCHOOL BUSES

SPONSOR: Evans

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Transportation by a vote of 14 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Legislative Oversight by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill requires drivers on public highways to stop when a certified Head Start school bus is stopped on such highway loading or unloading children.

This bill is similar to HB 2222 (2020).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that all school buses should stop when unloading a student. It is a basic safety issue.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Evans; Arnie Dienoff; Kristina Bernskoetter, Missouri Head Start Association.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say they are available to answer questions.

Testifying on the bill was Collin Stosberg, Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.