

# 18A:39-26

## LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

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**LAWS OF:** 2003                    **CHAPTER:** 19  
**NJSA:** 18A:39 -26            (“School Bus Safety Act”)  
**BILL NO:** S384                (Substituted for A3160)

**SPONSOR(S):** Sacco and others

**DATE INTRODUCED:** prefiled

**COMMITTEE:**            **ASSEMBLY:** Education

**SENATE:** Education

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:** No

**DATE OF PASSAGE:**            **ASSEMBLY:** January 23, 2003

**SENATE:** March 4, 2002

**DATE OF APPROVAL:** February 27, 2003

**FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

[FINAL TEXT OF BILL](#) (Original version of bill enacted)

**S384**

[SPONSORS STATEMENT:](#) (Begins on page 2 of original bill) [Yes](#)

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**                    [ASSEMBLY:](#) [Yes](#)

[SENATE:](#) [Yes](#)

**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS:** No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** No

**A3160**

[SPONSORS STATEMENT:](#) (Begins on page 2 of original bill) [Yes](#)

Bill and Sponsors Statement identical to S384

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**                    **ASSEMBLY:** No

**SENATE:** No

**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS:** No

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** No

**VETO MESSAGE:** No

**GOVERNOR’S PRESS RELEASE ON SIGNING:** No

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P.L. 2003, CHAPTER 19, *approved February 27, 2003*  
Senate, No. 384

1 **AN ACT** concerning school bus drivers and supplementing chapter 39  
2 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "School Bus  
8 Safety Act."

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10 2. a. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, rule or  
11 regulation to the contrary, no school pupil shall be allowed on board  
12 a school bus unless the bus driver or other employee of the school  
13 board or school bus contractor is also on board the bus.

14 b. The provisions of subsection a. of this section shall not apply  
15 when a bus driver leaves the bus to assist in the boarding or exiting of  
16 a disabled pupil or in the case of an emergency.

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18 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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24 driver is on board.

# SENATE, No. 384

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 210th LEGISLATURE

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 2002 SESSION

**Sponsored by:**

**Senator NICHOLAS J. SACCO**

**District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)**

**Senator ANDREW R. CIESLA**

**District 10 (Monmouth and Ocean)**

**SYNOPSIS**

Provides that school pupil may not be on board a school bus unless driver is on board.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



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ASSEMBLY EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 384**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: DECEMBER 9, 2002

The Assembly Education Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 384.

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SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**SENATE, No. 384**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: FEBRUARY 25, 2002

The Senate Education Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 384.

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This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2002 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

# ASSEMBLY, No. 3160

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 210th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JANUARY 14, 2003

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman JERRY GREEN**

**District 22 (Middlesex, Somerset and Union)**

**Assemblywoman LINDA R. GREENSTEIN**

**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)**

**Assemblyman GARY L. GUEAR, SR.**

**District 14 (Mercer and Middlesex)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Assemblymen Burzichelli, Fisher, Sarlo, R.Smith, Stanley and Van Drew**

**SYNOPSIS**

Provides that school pupil may not be on board a school bus unless driver is on board.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



**(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/24/2003)**



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