

119TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. CORNYN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Driving Forward Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PERMANENT EXTENSION OF EXEMPTION FROM**  
2 **UNDER-THE-HOOD INSPECTION TESTING RE-**  
3 **QUIREMENT FOR SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Transportation  
5 shall make permanent the exemption relating to pre-trip  
6 vehicle inspection skills test requirements for certain  
7 school bus drivers, as published in the Federal Register  
8 on December 2, 2024 (89 Fed. Reg. 95348), including the  
9 terms and conditions of the exemption described in para-  
10 graphs 2., 3., 4., 5., and 6. of section VII. B. of the notice  
11 granting the exemption (89 Fed. Reg. 95351).

12 (b) **REPORTING.**—For the 6-year period beginning on  
13 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Trans-  
14 portation shall require any State that participates in the  
15 exemption described in subsection (a) to submit to the  
16 Secretary an annual report for each those 6 years describ-  
17 ing the number of drivers that obtain a commercial driv-  
18 ers' license under such exemption in the State.