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8   **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9   AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE PARENTAL MONITORS ON SCHOOL

10   BUSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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13   **Subtitle**

14   AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE PARENTAL MONITORS ON

15   SCHOOL BUSES.

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18   BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20   SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 6, Chapter 19, Subchapter 1 is amended

21   to add an additional section to read as follows:

22   6-19-127. Parental monitors on school buses.

23   (a) The purpose of this section is to protect children from abusive

24   behavior while riding a school bus.

25   (b) A school district board of directors may create and implement a

26   program to authorize a parent of a child enrolled in the school district to

27   act as a monitor in a school bus.

28   (c) The Commission for Arkansas Public School Academic Facilities and

29   Transportation shall adopt rules to implement this section.

30   (d) A parental monitor under this section is a qualified volunteer

31   under the Arkansas Volunteer Immunity Act, § 16-6-101 et seq.

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33   *SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 6-17-414(a)(1)(A), concerning criminal*

34   *records check as a condition for initial employment of nonlicensed public*

35   *school personnel, is amended to add an additional subdivision to read as*

36   *follows:*

1   *(v) As used in this section, "nonlicensed staff position" includes*
2 *parental monitors on school buses as permitted under § 6-19-127.*
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4   */s/P. Malone*
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