NSTA Applauds Introduction of H.R. 3095

ALEXANDRIA, VA - The National School Transportation Association (NSTA) commends Congressmen Dr. Larry Bucshon (R-MD) and Congressman Dan Lipinski (D-IL) for the introduction of H.R. 3095, a bill requiring the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) to only address screening and testing for obstructive sleep apnea and other sleep disorders for drivers of commercial motor vehicles through the formal notice and comment rulemaking process. This is an effort that NSTA has worked tirelessly on over the course of many months and we are grateful to see legislation introduced to address our concerns.

NSTA has called on all of its members to reach out to their Members of the House of Representatives in an effort to secure additional co-sponsors to this legislation.

“The safety record of the school bus industry is unmatched because it is always our top priority. We are most appreciative to have the support of both Congressmen Dr. Bucshon and Congressman Lipinski in ensuring that FMCSA consider this issue in a comprehensive way, including a cost-benefit analysis, to ensure that any new mandates will actually improve safety. We look forward to H.R. 3095’s swift passage out of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee this week.” stated NSTA President Tim Flood.

NSTA would also like to take this opportunity to thank our industry partners whose joint efforts were instrumental in the development of this legislation: American Trucking Association; American Bus Association; International Brotherhood of Teamsters; Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association; and United Motorcoach Association.

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About NSTA:

The National School Transportation Association has been the voice of private school bus contractors, manufacturers and suppliers for more than 40 years. The association provides school transportation professionals with the tools and resources they need to make school buses safe, affordable, and efficient nationwide. Additional questions can be sent to Megan Benfatti at MBenfatti@yellowbuses.org. Offices are at 122 South Royal Street, Alexandria, VA 22314. Phone: 703-684-3200. Fax: 703-684-3212. Email: www.yellowbuses.org.