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NSTA Applauds House Passage of H.R. 3095

ALEXANDRIA, VA-The National School Transportation Association (NSTA) applauds the House passage 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. The bill passed the House by an overwhelming vote of 405-0.

We now turn our attention to the Senate where NSTA has called on all of its members to reach out to their Senators in an effort to secure additional co-sponsors to S. 1537, the companion bill to H.R. 3095. NSTA is hopeful the Senate will also take swift action on the bill.

“We are very appreciative with the swift action by the House of Representatives and remain grateful to Congressmen Doctor Larry Bucshon (R-IN), Dan Lipinski (D-IL), House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Bill Shuster (R-PA) and Ranking Member Nick Joe Rahall (D-WV), as well as all of the co-sponsors of H.R. 3095, for their leadership on this important legislation. Safety is always our top priority and this legislation ensures a thorough review of the issue in a careful way, including a cost-benefit analysis, to ensure that any new mandate will actually improve safety,” 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 Bus Association; American Moving and Storage Association; American Trucking Association; Associated General Contractors; International Brotherhood of Teamsters; National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services; Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association; and United Motorcoach Association.

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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,

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