

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2005**

**SESSION LAW 2005-151
SENATE BILL 821**

**AN ACT PERMITTING THE ROUTING OF SCHOOL BUSES ON CERTAIN
STREETS DESIGNATED AS PUBLIC.**

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 115C-246(b) reads as rewritten:

"(b) Unless road or other conditions shall make it ~~inadvisable to do so, inadvisable~~, public school buses shall be so routed on state-maintained ~~highways~~ highways, municipal streets, or other streets with publicly dedicated right-of-way. ~~that the school bus, to which such pupil is assigned, shall pass within one mile of the residence of each pupil, who lives one and one half miles or more from the school to which such pupil is assigned.~~The local board of education shall not be responsible for damage to the roadway. Each public school bus shall be routed so that the bus passes within one mile of the residence of each pupil assigned to that bus. A pupil who lives one and one-half miles or more from the school to which the pupil is assigned shall be eligible for school bus transportation."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2005.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 28th day of June, 2005.

s/ Marc Basnight
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ James B. Black
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Michael F. Easley
Governor

Approved 6:52 p.m. this 5th day of July, 2005