

Lanza: School Bus Seat Belt Law Finally Enacted

A new requirement that school buses have three-point lap and shoulder seat belts to protect school children travelling on buses, has become law in New Jersey, Hunterdon County Freeholder John E. Lanza has announced.

Lanza, the Freeholder Board's Public Safety liaison, stated, "The new law is of significant importance in Hunterdon County, where a preponderance of our school children travel daily by school bus. It affords kids on school buses the same protection that they have in their family car and meets the recommendations of the National Transportation Safety Board."

Lanza led a social media effort calling on Governor Phil Murphy to sign the legislation, after it passed both Houses of the legislature on June 25th.

Governor Murphy signed the legislation into law (P.L.2018, c.118) on August 25, 2018. "Two months after the legislature gave final approval to the bill, but better late than never. In the end, school children will be more protected," Lanza said.