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H. R. 7204

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to establish a grant program to increase the use of stop-arm safety camera technology on schoolbuses, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. BYNUM introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “School Bus Stop-Arm
5 Safety Camera Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. SCHOOLBUS STOP-ARM SAFETY CAMERAS STUDY**
2 **AND GRANT PROGRAM.**

3 (a) STUDY.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the
5 Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, in co-
6 ordination with the Administrator of the National
7 Highway Traffic Safety Administration, shall con-
8 duct a study to examine the benefits of requiring
9 schoolbuses in the United States to be equipped with
10 stop-arm safety cameras.

11 (2) RECOMMENDATIONS.—Not later than 1
12 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Ad-
13 ministrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Ad-
14 ministration and the Administrator of the National
15 Highway Traffic Safety Administration shall publish
16 on a publicly available website of each respective Ad-
17 ministrator—

18 (A) the findings of the study conducted
19 under paragraph (1); and

20 (B) with respect to the use of stop-arm
21 safety cameras, recommendations on best prac-
22 tices regarding—

23 (i) data management and privacy
24 safeguards;

1 (ii) data sharing with law enforcement
2 for fair adjudication of alleged traffic viola-
3 tions; and

4 (iii) fee and revenue sharing struc-
5 tures to ensure programs are financially
6 self-sustaining and advance student safety.

7 (b) GRANT PROGRAM.—

8 (1) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 18
9 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the
10 Secretary of Transportation shall establish a grant
11 program to increase the use of stop-arm safety cam-
12 era technology on schoolbuses.

13 (2) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS.—The Secretary may
14 award a grant under the program established under
15 paragraph (1) to a State educational agency.

16 (3) APPLICATIONS.—

17 (A) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible for a
18 grant under the program established under
19 paragraph (1), an entity described in paragraph
20 (2) shall submit to the Secretary an application
21 in such form, at such time, and containing such
22 information as the Secretary determines appro-
23 priate.

24 (B) NOTIFICATION.—Before the date on
25 which the Secretary begins to accept applica-

1 tions, the Secretary shall notify State edu-
2 cational agencies of the grant availability.

3 (4) USE OF FUNDS.—Funds awarded under the
4 program established under paragraph (1) may be
5 used to—

6 (A) purchase schoolbuses that are equipped
7 with stop-arm safety camera technology;

8 (B) equip such technology on schoolbuses
9 that are already owned; and

10 (C) install, maintain, and repair such tech-
11 nology.

12 (5) DEFINITION OF STATE EDUCATIONAL
13 AGENCY.—In this subsection, the term “State edu-
14 cational agency” has the meaning given that term in
15 section 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary Edu-
16 cation Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

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