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Affirming that the Federal Government should support school district investment in clean school buses.

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Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. WELCH, and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

RESOLUTION

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Whereas diesel exhaust from school buses is a major source of local air pollution, including fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}), nitrogen oxides (NO_x), and volatile organic compounds (VOCs);

Whereas children face higher health risk from air pollution because of their smaller, still developing lungs, leading to increased rates of asthma, heart disease, and lung disease;

Whereas approximately 3 out of 10 children in the United States take a school bus to get to school;

Whereas the air pollution from diesel school buses can enter school buildings and degrade classroom air quality;

Whereas air pollution-related diseases lead to missed days of school and hamper the education of children;

Whereas the replacement of diesel school buses with clean school buses, including electric school buses, would dramatically reduce local air pollution, and improve the health and educational attainment of children; and

Whereas Congress, on a bipartisan basis, has historically supported funding for replacing diesel school buses with cleaner alternatives, including through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Public Law 117–58; 135 Stat. 429): Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the Senate affirms that the Federal
- 2 Government should support school district investment in
- 3 clean school buses.

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