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Update Regarding NYS Zero-Emission School Bus Mandate



Dear Shelbie,

We know many of our customers have been asking questions regarding possible extensions and waivers related to New York State's zero-emission school bus mandate. We wanted to share the latest legislative update currently under consideration.

PURPOSE OF BILL:

To extend the deadlines for school districts to

transition to zero-emission school buses by five years.

Summary of Provisions

Section 1 of the bill amends subdivisions 2 and 3 of section 3638 of the education law to:

- Extend the deadline by which school districts must purchase or lease only zero-emission school buses from **July 1, 2027** to **July 1, 2032**
- Extend the deadline by which all school districts must fully operate zero-emission school buses from **July 1, 2035** to **July 1, 2040**

Bill Text Excerpt

STATE OF NEW YORK 9667

Introduced in Senate – April 1, 2026

The bill proposes amendments to Section 3638 of the Education Law, including:

- School districts would only be required to purchase or lease zero-emission school buses beginning July 1, 2032
- Contractors providing transportation services would also be required to comply with the updated timeline
- Full operation and maintenance of zero-emission school buses would be required by July 1, 2040

This act shall take effect immediately.

We will continue monitoring updates regarding this legislation and share additional information as it becomes available.

Thank you,
New York Bus Sales

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Bill S9667

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