

Act 1288 of 2013 Legislative Session

- Required school districts to complete transportation survey by July 1, 2014
- All school districts completed surveys
- Bureau of Legislative Research reported to Joint House and Senate Education Committee on August 12, 2014



2013-2014 Transportation Report

6,705 Buses Inspected in 238 Districts

SCHOOL BUS INSPECTION INFRACTIONS	MINOR INFRACTIONS TOTAL	MAJOR INFRACTIONS TOTAL
Inside the bus	4,555	128
Outside the bus	2,239	102
Engine compartment	83	23
Underneath	1,563	259

TOTALS	8,440	512
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***Total of 366
buses grounded
in 98 Districts***

SCHOOL BUS DRIVER TRAINING
IN-SERVICES DURING 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

8,412



School Bus Illegal Passing Survey

On May 13, 2014, Arkansas had 2,903 school bus drivers report that 607 motorists illegally passed school buses during that one day.

Districts participating in passing survey	116
Drivers participating in passing survey	2,903
Results of vehicles illegally passing	607
A.M.	229
P.M.	378
Occurring from front of bus	477
Occurring from rear of bus	130
Occurring on the passenger side of the bus	12



The last Arkansas student fatality caused by a driver illegally passing a school bus was in January 2007 in the Watson Chapel School District. Arkansas regularly has near-misses.

Public Awareness Campaign (2014)

- School Bus Safety
- 3 Week Campaign
- 180 Radio Commercials
- Channel 11 Morning Show (*August 1, 2014*)
- Channel 4 Morning Show (*August 11, 2014*)
- Channel 7 Mid-Day Show (*August 12, 2014*)
- KARN Radio Interview (*August 18, 2014*)
- TV Commercial

