



## 1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 302

April 8, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives SCHNEIDER, MEYER, BOYLE, HAHN, SERATTI, TRAVIS, TURNER and L. YOUNG. Referred to Committee on Highways and Transportation.

1     **AN ACT** *to renumber* 120.13 (31) and 349.215; and *to create* 120.13 (31) (b) and  
2             349.215 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** adult school crossing guards signaling  
3             traffic to stop at school crossings.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, motor vehicle operators are required to obey the directions of school crossing guards at school crossings, including stopping their vehicles when directed to do so. All adult school crossing guards must be equipped with signs or signals to direct traffic to stop at school crossings. This bill requires each school crossing guard, except any guard in a 1st class city, to be offered use of a stop sign attached to a light weight pole of not less than 5 feet in length, or a stop sign equipped with a flashing light, to direct traffic to stop at school crossings. The bill specifies that the department of transportation must design the stop sign and pay the costs of manufacture and distribution of the stop signs.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

4             **SECTION 1.** 120.13 (31) of the statutes is renumbered 120.13 (31) (a).

5             **SECTION 2.** 120.13 (31) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

6             120.13 (31) (b) Each school crossing guard appointed under par. (a) shall be  
7             offered by the school board a stop sign, attached to a light weight pole of not less than  
8             5 feet in length, or a stop sign equipped with a flashing light, to be used upon the

1 roadway by the school crossing guard to direct traffic to stop at school crossings. The  
2 requirements of s. 349.215 (2) (b) apply to signs under this paragraph.

3 **SECTION 3.** 349.215 of the statutes is renumbered 349.215 (1).

4 **SECTION 4.** 349.215 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

5 349.215 (2) (a) Except in 1st class cities, each school crossing guard appointed  
6 under sub. (1) shall be offered by the governing body a stop sign, attached to a light  
7 weight pole of not less than 5 feet in length, or a stop sign equipped with a flashing  
8 light, to be used upon the roadway by the school crossing guard to direct traffic to stop  
9 at school crossings.

10 (b) The department shall specify the design of the stop signs under this  
11 subsection and s. 120.13 (31) (b). From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (3) (eq), the  
12 department shall pay the costs of sign manufacture and distribution of the signs in  
13 sufficient quantities to the governing bodies of cities, villages, towns and counties  
14 under this subsection and to school boards under s. 120.13 (31) (b).

15 **SECTION 5. Effective date.**

16 (1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 6th month beginning after  
17 publication.

18 (END)