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## NEW SCHOOL BUS STOPPING LAW GOES INTO EFFECT SEPTEMBER I

The new school bus stopping law announced in late February will go into effect Monday, September I, Minister of Transportation and Communications John R. Rhodes announced.

The new law, under Section I20 of The Highway Traffic Act, requires traffic travelling in both directions to halt when a stopped school bus flashes its alternating red signal lights regardless of the posted speed limit.

Traffic may not proceed until the school bus resumes motion or its red lights - affixed to both the front and rear of the bus - stop flashing.

Failure to stop for a school bus with its alternating red signal lights flashing carries a penalty of four driver demerit points and a maximum fine of \$100.

Previously, the stop-in-both-directions rule required drivers to stop only when the maximum speed limit was greater than 35 miles per hour.

The new law applies regardless of the posted speed limit - on highways, country roads, city, town and village streets.

The only exception is on highways divided by a median strip. Then, only vehicles behind the school bus must stop upon seeing the flashing red lights. Oncoming traffic on the opposite side of the median may proceed.

A median strip is a physical barrier or an unpaved strip of ground separating traffic travelling in one direction from traff-ic travelling in the opposite direction.

With the new September Ist law, each municipality will have the authority to enact by-laws designating local school bus load -ing zones.

In these loading zones, the school bus driver will not be permitted to flash the vehicle's alternating red lights.

The loading zones will have identifying signs and can be located only on the same side of the road as a school or non-school facility often visited by school children and teachers - for example, the Royal Ontario Museum, where many school bus loads of students and teachers arrive from all over the area.

The school bus driver cannot stop a bus to drop off or pick up school children on a road or highway opposite a designated loading zone. And at the zone, the bus must be as close as practicable to the right curb or edge of the roadway.

A school bus is defined, under The Highway Traffic Act, as a bus used for the transportation of children to and from school that: bears on the rear the words DO NOT PASS WHEN SIGNALS FLASH-ING: carries two red signal lights on the rear and two red continued page I5 .....