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Tallahassee, FL – In an effort to make our students safer, **Representative Emily Slosberg (D–Boca Raton)** and **Senator Lori Berman (D–Delray Beach)** today filed [HB 745](#) and [SB 1050](#), which would authorize school districts across Florida to install automated traffic enforcement systems on school buses. These systems are capable of identifying violators who put children in danger by improperly passing stopped school buses.

Although thousands of motorists illegally pass stopped school buses each year, very few motorists receive a citation unless a law enforcement officer is there to witness it. Under **HB 745** and **SB 1050**, school districts and law enforcement agencies will have the option to use this new enforcement tool to issue citations to violators who put our children in danger.

Representative Slosberg stated, “Just last year, a Manatee County student was sent to the hospital in critical condition by a careless driver who hit him while illegally passing a stopped school bus. By empowering school districts to use new technologies like school bus camera systems, we will do a better job of protecting our students and prevent more incidents like this from happening. I am thankful for Senator Berman’s continued support of this legislation as we work to make our roads safer.”

“I am pleased to work on this good legislation with Rep. Slosberg, whom I know to be a lifelong advocate for road safety,” **Senator Berman** said. “Far too many of us have witnessed drivers speeding past school busses as they offload children, disregarding

their safety and existing traffic laws. This bill will put a stop to it.”

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