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"AN ACT REDUCING DIESEL EMISSIONS INSIDE SCHOOL BUSES."

1 Strike lines 1 to 8 in their entirety and insert the following in lieu
2 thereof:

3 "Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2006*) (a) The Commissioner of
4 Transportation shall establish, within available appropriations, a
5 program to provide grants to municipalities to equip their school buses
6 with a closed crank-case ventilation system designed to substantially
7 reduce or eliminate diesel fine particulate matter emissions from
8 entering the school bus cabins. The regional or local board of education
9 of the municipality shall apply to the commissioner, on a form
10 prescribed by the commissioner, in order to receive said grants.

11 (b) The Commissioner of Administrative Services, in consultation
12 with the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the
13 Commissioner of Transportation and the Commissioner of Education,
14 shall develop procurement contracts for (1) the purchase of new school
15 buses compliant with model year 2007 emission standards, (2) tailpipe

16 emission control devices, and (3) closed crankcase filtration systems.
17 Said procurement contracts shall be made available to municipalities
18 and private school bus operators on the procurement section of the
19 Department of Administrative Services' Internet web site, in a category
20 that clearly identifies the product to municipalities and private school
21 bus operators.

22 (c) The Commissioner of Administrative Services, in consultation
23 with the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, the
24 Commissioner of Transportation and the Commissioner of Education,
25 shall develop an outreach plan and materials for educating local and
26 regional boards of education and bus companies about emission
27 reduction opportunities for school buses and programs associated with
28 this section."