

SAFETY ON LEARNER TRANSPORT (WALES) MEASURE 2011

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Section 1

– Requirement for seat belts on buses used for learner transport

2. This section places a duty on relevant bodies (a local authority or the governing body of a maintained school) and persons who provide learner transport secured by a relevant body (e.g. a bus operator providing services under contract with a local authority), to ensure that every bus used for learner transport has a seat belt fitted to every passenger seat.
3. Sub section 14A(3) provides that a person who fails to comply with those duties commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 4 on the standard scale. It will be a defence to show that exceptional circumstances prevented compliance with the duties within section 14A(1) or (2).