STATE OF WISCONSIN)

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION) SS

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS.

I, Barbara Thompson, State Superintendent of the State Department of Public Instruction, and custodian of the official records of the State Department of Public Instruction, do hereby certify that the annexed rules and amendments to rules, relating to physical requirements for school bus drivers established by the State Superintendent, were duly approved and adopted by me on January 19, 1976.

I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in the State Department of Public Instruction and that the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the department at Wisconsin Hall, 126 Langdon Street, in the city of Madison, this 19th day of January A.D. 1976.

Barbara Thompson

State Superintendent

State Department of Public Instruction

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Adopting, Amending, and Repealing Rules

Pursuant to authority vested in the Department of Public Instruction by 115.28(7), Wis. Stats., the State Superintendent of Public Instruction for the State of Wisconsin hereby adopts the rule as follows:

PI 7.01 Physical Requirements for School Bus Drivers.

- (1) As of October 1, 1973, no person shall be issued an original or renewed school bus driver's license unless he/she meets all of the following physical requirements:
 - (a) Has sufficient use of both hands and the foot normally employed to operate the foot brake and foot accelerator correctly and efficiently. (see par. (2)).
 - (b) Possesses at least 20/40 vision corrected or uncorrected in each eye; has a minimum horizontal form field of vision of 70° in each eye; and is able to distinguish traffic signal colors of red, green, and amber. (see par. (2)).
 - (c) Is able to hear with or without a hearing aid a forced whisper voice at five feet. (see par. (2)).
 - (d) Has no established history or clinical diagnosis of diabetes mellitus currently requiring any hypoglycemic agent for control.
 - (e) Has no current diagnosis of myocardial infarction, angina pectoris, coronary insufficiency, thrombosis, or any other cardiovascular disease of a variety known to be accompanied by syncope, dyspnea, collapse, or congestive cardiac failure.
 - (f) Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of a respiratory disfunction likely to interfere with his ability to control and drive a school bus safely.
 - (g) Has no clinical diagnosis of high blood pressure likely to interfere with his ability to operate a school bus safely.
 - (h) Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of rheumatic, arthritic, orthopedic, muscular, neuromuscular, or vascular disease which interferes with his ability to control and operate a school bus safely.
 - (i) Has no established medical history or clinical diagnosis of epilepsy or any other condition which is likely to cause loss of consciousness or any loss of ability to control a school bus.
 - (j) Has no mental, nervous, organic or functional disease or psychiatric disorder likely to interfere with his ability to drive a school bus safely.
 - (k) Does not use an amphetamine, narcotic, or any habitforming or mind-altering drug.
 - (1) Has no current clincial diagnosis of alcoholism.
 - (m) Is free from tuberculosis in a communicable form as determined by a tuberculin test and/or a chest x-ray. (see PI 7.01(4) below.)

- (2) The medical examination, except for those determinations made by the Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division license examiners, shall be performed by a licensed doctor of medicine or osteopathy. The license examiners will perform the screening tests necessary to make determinations required by par. (1) (a), (1) (b) and (1) (c). When an applicant does not meet the screening standard, he may be referred to an appropriate licensed professional for further evaluation.
- (3) The medical examination results shall be recorded in the files of the examining physician. If an applicant meets all of the physical requirements listed in this code, and if the examination reveals no other health condition likely to interfere with his ability to operate a school bus safely, the physician shall certify the applicant's physical qualifications for a school bus driver's license. One copy of the completed medical form certified by the physician shall be filed with the license examiner at the time of license application or renewal.
- (4) The medical examination shall be performed within the three month period prior to issuance of an original or renewed school bus driver's license, except that proof of freedom from communicable tuberculosis may have been determined within the twelve month period prior to issuance of such license.