

# Action: Resolution Regarding Seat Belt Requirements

**BELTON ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
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# Purpose

Provide an overview of SB 546 and make a recommendation regarding a resolution regarding seat belts.

# Requirements

Senate Bill 546 (89th Texas Legislature) amends the Texas Transportation Code to require that all school buses be equipped with three-point (lap-shoulder) seat belts for every seating position, including the driver, by September 1, 2029.

# Implications for BISD

BISD has a fleet of 107 buses, 46 with three-point seatbelts, 16 with only a lap belt and 45 without any seatbelts.

Total Cost: \$1.6M

# Recommendation

Adopt the proposed resolution determining that the District's current budget does not permit full compliance with SB 546 by September 1, 2029, due to significant financial hardship as presented.

# Discussion

