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TO: Dr. Joanne Smith
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FROM: Bill Nance 
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SUBJECT: ASG Legislation – S.R.S. 2013-2014/05 “A Resolution for Texas State University

Buses to have a Warning Sign on the Back of the Bus Alerting Drivers that Texas State Buses Stop at Railroad Tracks”

The legislation is asking that all of our buses be equipped with large and visible signs on the back of the bus that would alert drivers that the buses stop at all railroad tracks and crossings. There is no law that requires a sign on the back of the bus, except for yellow public school buses. The legislation was not specific about material, color, size or layout, so we used the following to obtain cost estimates:

- Base Material – 3M 680 3M™ Scotchlite™ Reflective Graphic Film
- Size – 24”x24” (4sqft)
- Printing – Red
- 3M Scotchcal Gloss Overlamine
- Message – “Buses Stop at Railroad Tracks”

There really isn't a good place to put something like this on the bus because of the Texas State University logo. However, the cost estimate came back at \$50 per logo. While we have 45 buses, we added extras in because of deterioration over time. These prices do not include installation costs. 45 = \$2,250, 70 = \$3,500

I am not supportive of spending the money at this time since we have not experienced rear ending of the buses as a problem and there is no law requiring the signage.

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