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Overview

Amends the definition of a “type III vehicle” for passenger vehicles and buses by increasing the maximum seating capacity from 10 to 15 people and increasing the gross vehicle weight rating from 10,000 to 26,000 pounds.

Section

- 1 School bus.** Redefines and restricts a “type III vehicle” to passenger vehicles and buses with a maximum seating capacity of 15 or fewer people, instead of 10 people, and a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,000 pounds or less, instead of 10,000 pounds. Requires a van or bus converted to a seating capacity of 15 or fewer people, instead of 10 people, and placed in service on or after August 1, 1999, to have been originally manufactured to comply with passenger safety standards.