

Applying to the FCC for funding is a great idea. The use of the systems is a great way to protect children and to make sure that buses can be tracked in the event that one is hijacked.

In Indiana, as in other states, I am sure that budgets are getting reduced. This is especially true in light of the necessary funds to pay for increased fuel costs. Hence, a little relief from the FCC to assist school districts that are trying to be safe and economical would be a huge plus. Assistance in paying for the per bus phone charge would be a great way to demonstrate support to the nation's schools.

I do support this effort and feel that the reduction in cost could benefit all students that are having the benefit of safe transportation monitoring systems.

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