

1991 Senate Bill 326

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# 1991 WISCONSIN ACT 198

AN ACT to amend 347.48 (4) (a) 1 and 2 of the statutes, relating to: requiring the use of safety belts or child safety restraint systems for certain children in motor vehicles.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. 347.48 (4) (a) 1. and 2. of the statutes, as affected by 1991 Wisconsin Act 39, are amended to read:

347.48 (4) (a) 1. No person, who is the parent or legal guardian of may transport a child under the age of ~~2~~, may transport the child ~~4~~ in a motor vehicle unless the child is properly restrained in a child safety restraint system approved by the department ~~or, when present in the vehicle, permit the child to be transported in a motor vehicle unless he or she has provided for the proper restraint of the child. If a person who is not the parent or legal guardian of the child transports the child in a motor vehicle when the parent or legal guardian of the child is not present, the person shall properly restrain the child. In this subdivision, "properly restrained" means fastened in a manner prescribed by the manufacturer of the system which permits the system to act as a body restraint but does not include a system in which the only body restraint is a safety belt of the type required under sub. (1). The department shall, by rule, establish standards in com-~~

pliance with applicable federal standards for approved types of child safety restraint systems for those child restraint systems purchased after November 1, 1982. ~~No person is required to have more than 3 child safety restraint systems in a vehicle.~~

2. No person, who is the parent or legal guardian of may transport a child who is at least ~~2~~ 4 years old but less than ~~4~~ 8 years old, may transport the child in a motor vehicle unless the child is properly restrained in a child safety restraint system approved by the department under subd. 1 or in a safety belt approved by the department under sub. (2) ~~or, when present in the vehicle, permit the child to be transported in a motor vehicle unless he or she has provided for the proper restraint of the child. If a person who is not the parent or legal guardian of the child transports the child in a motor vehicle when the parent or legal guardian of the child is not present, the person shall properly restrain the child. In this subdivision, "properly restrained" means fastened in a manner prescribed by the manufacturer of the system which permits the system to act as a body restraint.~~