No. 1993-22

AN ACT

HB 461

Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, regulating child passenger restraint systems.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 4581(a)(1) and (g) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

§ 4581. Restraint systems.

(a) Occupant protection.—

(1) Any person who is operating a passenger car, Class I truck, Class II truck, classic motor vehicle, antique motor vehicle or motor home [registered in Pennsylvania] and who transports a child under four years of age anywhere in the motor vehicle, including the cargo area, shall fasten such child securely in a child passenger restraint system, as defined in subsection (d). This subsection shall apply to all persons while they are operators of motor vehicles where a seating position is available which is equipped with a seat safety belt or other means to secure the systems or where the seating position was originally equipped with seat safety belts. * * *

(g) Exemptions.—[For any child between the ages of one to four years, a seat safety belt in the rear seat of the motor vehicle may be used in lieu of a child passenger restraint system. Further exemptions] *Exemptions* will be allowed if it is determined, according to the rules and regulations of the department, that the use of a child passenger restraint system would be impractical for physical reasons including, but not limited to, medical reasons or size of the child.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED-The 22nd day of June, A.D. 1993.

MARK S. SINGEL ACTING GOVERNOR