

SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 1404 Child-restraint Requirements by Senator Altman

Requires that a child 7 years of age or younger be in a crash-tested, federally approved child restraint device appropriate for the height and weight of the child when transporting a child on the roadways, streets, or highways of this state.

Requires the device comply with the standards of the United States Department of Transportation and be secured in the motor vehicle in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Redefines the term "motor vehicle" to exclude a bus or passenger vehicle designed to accommodate 10 or more persons from such requirements.

Provides a grace period. Provides these provisions do not apply to a person who is transporting a child if the person is visiting in this state and driving with a valid out-of-state driver's license, transporting the child in response to a declared emergency situation or an immediate emergency involving the child, or transporting a child whose medical condition necessitates an exception evidenced by documentation from a health professional. (See bill for details)