

**SENATE BILL NO. 218**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY SENATOR FRENCH**

**Introduced: 1/16/08**

**Referred: Transportation, State Affairs**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to use of child safety seats and seat belts."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 **\* Section 1.** AS 28.05.095(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) Except as provided in (c) of this section, a driver may not transport a child  
5 under the age of 16 in a motor vehicle unless the driver has provided the required  
6 safety device and properly secured each child as described in this subsection. A [IF  
7 THE] child

8 **(1) less than one year of age or a child one year of age or older who**  
9 **weighs less than 20 pounds shall be properly secured in a rear-facing child safety**  
10 **seat that meets or exceeds** [IS LESS THAN FOUR YEARS OF AGE, THE CHILD  
11 SHALL BE PROPERLY SECURED IN A CHILD SAFETY DEVICE MEETING  
12 THE] standards of the United States Department of Transportation **and is used in**  
13 **accordance with the manufacturer's instructions;**

14 **(2) one to four years of age who weighs over 20 pounds shall be**  
15 **properly secured in a child restraint device that meets or exceeds the standards of**

1 the United States Department of Transportation and is used in accordance with  
2 the manufacturer's instructions;

3 (3) over four years of age who is less than 57 inches in height and  
4 weighs less than 80 pounds shall be properly secured in a booster seat that is  
5 secured by a seat belt system or by another child passenger restraint system that  
6 meets or exceeds the standards of the United States Department of  
7 Transportation and is used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions;

8 (4) over four years of age that is not required to be restrained as  
9 provided in (3) of this subsection shall be properly secured in a seat belt [FOR A  
10 CHILD SAFETY DEVICE FOR INFANTS. IF THE CHILD IS FOUR BUT NOT  
11 YET 16 YEARS OF AGE, THE CHILD SHALL BE PROPERLY SECURED IN A  
12 CHILD SAFETY DEVICE APPROVED FOR A CHILD OF THAT AGE AND SIZE  
13 BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OR IN A  
14 SAFETY BELT, WHICHEVER IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE PARTICULAR  
15 CHILD].