Changes to Oregon’s Occupant Protection Law

Effective July 1, 2007 Amending ORS 811.210 and 811.215

Oregon drivers look to the law in deciding how to best restrain and protect children in motor vehicles. The proper restraint of children reduces the severity of injuries and the number of children killed in motor vehicle crashes. Oregon's law now reflects National Best Practice.

Changes to the Law Require:

• Infants to ride rear-facing until they reach both one year of age AND twenty pounds.

• Children who weigh over 40 pounds must be properly secured in a booster seat until they are age 8 OR 4'9" in height.

• Children who are age 8 or older OR are taller than 4'9" must ride properly secured with the safety belt system.

Oregon Law Continues to Require:

• Children over one year old AND between 20 and 40 pounds must be properly secured with a forward-facing child safety seat up to a minimum of 40 pounds.

Contact ACTS Oregon Child Safety Seat Resource Center for information on Oregon law, answers to child passenger safety questions or to locate a child safety seat check up event:

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