SENATE BILL No. 333

March 15, 2001, Introduced by Senators HART, HAMMERSTROM, BULLARD and DUNASKISS and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Tourism.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled "Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 710d (MCL 257.710d), as amended by 1999 PA 29.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 710d. (1) Except as provided in this section, or as
- 2 otherwise provided by law, a rule promulgated pursuant to the
- 3 administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to
- 4 24.328, or federal regulation, each driver transporting a child
- 5 less than 4 years of age in a motor vehicle shall properly secure
- 6 that child in a child restraint system IN THE REAR SEAT, IF THE
- 7 MOTOR VEHICLE HAS A REAR SEAT, that meets the standards pre-
- 8 scribed in 49 C.F.R. 571.213.
- 9 (2) This section does not apply to any child being nursed.

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- 1 (2) $\overline{(3)}$ This section does not apply if the motor vehicle
- 2 being driven is a bus, school bus, taxicab, moped, motorcycle, or
- 3 other motor vehicle not required to be equipped with safety belts
- 4 under federal law or regulations.
- 5 (3) $\overline{(4)}$ A person who violates this section is responsible
- 6 for a civil infraction.
- 7 (4) (5) Points TWO POINTS shall not be assessed under
- 8 section 320a for a violation of this section. An abstract
- 9 required under section 732 shall not be submitted to the secre-
- 10 tary of state regarding a violation of this section.
- 11 (5) $\overline{(6)}$ The secretary of state may exempt by rules promul-
- 12 gated pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969
- 13 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, a class of children from the
- 14 requirements of this section, if the secretary of state deter-
- 15 mines that the use of the child restraint system required under
- 16 subsection (1) is impractical because of physical unfitness, a
- 17 medical problem, or body size. The secretary of state may spec-
- 18 ify alternate means of protection for children exempted under
- 19 this subsection.