

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, prohibiting children under the age of ten from  
3 riding in front seat of passenger vehicles.

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

6 Section 1. Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 4581.1. Child passenger in front seat.

9 (a) General rule.--Except as provided in subsection (b), no  
10 person shall operate a passenger car unless all passengers under  
11 the age of ten are seated in a seat behind the front seat if the  
12 passenger car is equipped with a middle or rear seat.

13 (b) Exception.--A person may operate a passenger vehicle  
14 with a child under the age of ten in the front seat if all  
15 middle and rear seat positions are occupied by children under  
16 the age of ten and the oldest child in the vehicle, other than  
17 the operator, is the child occupying the front seat.

18 (c) Penalty.--Any person who operates a passenger car in

1 violation of this section commits a summary offense and shall,  
2 upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than  
3 \$25.

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