

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 53

Introduced by Assembly Member Cristina Garcia

December 1, 2014

An act to amend Section 27360 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 53, as introduced, Cristina Garcia. Vehicles: child safety seats.

Existing law requires a parent, legal guardian, or the driver of a motor vehicle to properly secure a child under 8 years of age in an appropriate passenger restraint system while the child is riding in a motor vehicle.

This bill would require a parent, legal guardian, or the driver of a motor vehicle to properly secure a child under 2 years of age in an appropriate rear facing child safety seat while the child is riding in a motor vehicle.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 27360 of the Vehicle Code is amended
- 2 to read:
- 3 27360. (a) Except as provided in Section 27363, a parent, legal
- 4 guardian, or driver shall not transport on a highway in a motor
- 5 vehicle, as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of Section
- 6 27315, a child ~~or ward~~ who is under eight years of age, without
- 7 properly securing that child in a rear seat in an appropriate child

1 passenger restraint system meeting applicable federal motor vehicle
2 safety standards.

3 *(b) Except as provided in Section 27363, a parent, legal*
4 *guardian, or driver shall not transport on a highway in a motor*
5 *vehicle, as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of Section*
6 *27315, a child who is under two years of age, without properly*
7 *securing that child in a rear facing child safety seat meeting*
8 *applicable federal motor vehicle safety standards.*

9 ~~(b)~~

10 (c) Subdivision (a) or (b) does not apply to a driver if the parent
11 or legal guardian of the child is ~~also present~~ *a passenger* in the
12 motor vehicle ~~and is not the driver~~.