

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 50th Legislature (2006)

HOUSE BILL 2475

By: Perry

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to motor vehicles; creating the Unattended Children in Motor Vehicle Safety Act; defining terms; prohibiting certain unlawful acts; providing penalties; stating certain preclusion; providing for noncodification; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall be known and may be cited as the "Unattended Children in Motor Vehicle Safety Act".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 11-1117 of Title 47, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. As used in this act:

1. "Unattended child" means a child who is not accompanied by another person who is at least fourteen (14) years of age; and

2. "Motor vehicle" means any automobile, truck, truck-tractor, or any motor bus or motor-propelled vehicle not exclusively operated or driven on fixed rails or tracks.

B. A person responsible for a child who is eight (8) years of age or younger shall not leave that child in a motor vehicle without being supervised in the motor vehicle by a person who is at least fourteen (14) years of age if:

1. The conditions present a risk to the health or safety of the child; or

2. The engine of the motor vehicle is running or the keys to the motor vehicle are anywhere in the passenger compartment of the vehicle.

C. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00). Any person convicted of a second or subsequent violation of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

D. Nothing in this section precludes prosecution under any other provision of law.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

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