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Child Passenger Safety					
State	Legislation	Sponsor	Notes	Tags	Status
Alaska	H 27	Tarr	Would regulate chemicals in car seats, and other products.	child passenger safety, chemicals, regulation, car seat	
Arizona	HB 2494	Carter	Would provide immunity to good samaritans who rescue a child left in a car	heatstroke	enacted
California	A 1185	O'Donnell	Requires car rental companies to have car seats available.	child passenger safety, rental	Passed Assembly committee
Colorado	H 1044	Bush	Would regulate autcycles, including use of car seats in them.	car seats, autcycle	
Connecticut	S 460/H6956	Flexer, Kupchick	Requires best practices to be used with child restraint systems.	child passenger safety, best practice, child restraint systems	Cleared 1st committee; S 460 died
Kansas	H 2077	House of Judiciary Committee	Limits civil liability for performing inspection, installation or adjustment of a child safety seat.	child passenger safety, child safety seat, immunity	
Kentucky	H 391	Palumbo	Requires replacement of car seat following a crash.	child passenger safety, replace	
Kentucky	S 120	Westerfield	Allows person who was cited on CPS motor vehicle violaton can purchase car seat and have charge dismissed	child passenger safety, replace	Enacted 4.10.2017 Eff. 06.29.2017
Massachusetts	H 1243 S 1903	Cronin Brady	Requires child up to 2 to be placed in rear facing position.	child passenger safety, rear facing	Hearing scheduled 4/12
Massachusetts	S 1960	Montigny	Child under 13 must be in rear seat with exceptions.	child passenger safety, rear seat	
Mississippi	H 535	Rushing	Relates to fines for occupant protection.	passenger safety, fine	
Nevada	S 156	Woodhouse	Increases age booster seat age to 8, and makes child occupant protection a primary offense	booster seat; primary	Passed Senate; Transpo committee scheduled
Oklahoma	HB 1607	Enns	Would create an exception for handicapped drivers.	rear-facing, handicapped	Passed both Houses
Montana	SB 9	Barrett	Provides that a child safety restraint must be used in a passenger vehicle for a child under 6 years of age and weighing less than 60 pounds. Eliminates secondary enforcement restrictions for restraint violations.	car seat, child passenger safety, secondary enforcement	
Nebraska	LB 42	Nordquist	Strengthen booster seat requirements by requiring placement up to age 8 and keep children rear-facing through age 2 years, and specifying children need to remain in rear seats whenever available.	child passenger safety, rear-facing, rear seats, booster seat	
Nebraska	LB 41	Hilkemann	Changes "child passenger restraint system enforcement from a secondary offense to a primary offense."	child passenger safety, restraint system, primary offense	
Nevada	S 156	Woodhouse	Would strengthen car seat law by requiring child to be buckled in until age 8 and less than 57"; provides immunity to CPS technicians	child passenger safety, immunity	Passed Senate
New Jersey	AB 3642	Jimenez	Prohibits kids under 8 and less than 57" from sitting in the front seat	front seat	

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New York	AB 8100 SB 6523	Galef	Would require a child to be seated in a car seat up to age 2 unless the child exceeds the size and weight recommendations of the manufacturer	rear facing	Passed Senate one committee in Assembly
New York	SB 9	Hoylman	Required use of safety belts by passengers in taxis and for-hire vehicles— operators must display notice to inform passengers of this requirement.	passenger safety belts, for-hire vehicles	
New York	S 2163	Serino	Prohibits children under age 8 from sitting in the front seat of a car with limited exceptions.	child passenger safety	
New York	S 2676	Parker	Requires cabs be inspected for unsafe carbon monoxide levels and information/warnings be given with each operational license on carbon monoxide.	child passenger safety, carbon monoxide	
New York	A7033	Gantt	Requires car seats to be secured as set forth in the manuals of the car and car seat	child passenger safety,	
North Carolina	H 767	Harrison	Prohibits sale of child products containing Bisphenol A, Tris or Phthalates	child passenger safety	
North Dakota	H 1323	Owens	Would increase booster seat usage through 8 years old.	child passenger safety, age requirement	Signed by Governor
Ohio			Maybe action to make the car seat law subject to primary enforcement.	child passenger safety, car seat, primary enforcement	
Oklahoma	H 1607	Enns	Would provide exception from rear-facing requirement for children of physically disabled parent.	child passenger safety, rear-facing, restraint system	Vetoed
Oklahoma	H 1637	Inman	Every driver will ensure the safety of a child passenger by using a seat belt or child passenger restraint system.	child passenger safety, child restraint systems, safety belts	
Oregon	H 3404	Malstrom	Would require a child under age 2 or weighs 20 pounds or less to be in a rear-facing positioned car seat.	rear-facing, car seat, child passenger safety	Passed both houses
Rhode Island	SB 275 HB 5456	Ruggerio	Would require a child under age 2 or weighing less than 30 pounds to be rear-facing	rear facing	Hearing held
Rhode Island	S 72/ H5311	Raptakis Shekarchi	Would create an offense to leave a child under seven years of age unattended in a motor vehicle for longer than five minutes, punishable by imprisonment...or a fine of no more than \$1000.	child passenger safety, unattended vehicle, heatstroke	Hearing 4/4
Rhode Island	H 5456/ S 275	Shekarchi Ruggerio	Would require infants and toddlers under 2 years of age or weighing less than thirty 30 lbs be placed in rear-facing car seats.	child passenger safety, rear-facing, car seat	
South Carolina	H 3864 / S478	Bernstein, Hutto	Would require a child under age 2 to be in a rear facing car seat, booster seat to age 8	child passenger safety, rear-facing, car seat	Enacted Eff immediate
Texas	SB 693 /HB 1188	Garcia Zaffirini, Turner	Requires a rear-facing child passenger safety seat system unless the child is taller than 3'4"; or weighs over 40 pounds.	child passenger safety, rear-facing, safety seat	S 693 Passed Both Houses

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Utah	S 90	Anderegg	Exemptions for certain infractions related to vehicle registration, safety inspection, and emissions inspection requirements.	safety inspection, passenger safety	
Vermont	H 268	Deen	Regulate chemicals, toxic substances in car seats.	toxic substances, car seats	
Vermont	H 170	Grad	Prohibits use of marijuana in car with a child of car seat age in the motor vehicle	child passenger safety, marijuana	Passed House
Washington State	H 1188	Bergquist	Would require rear-facing placement of car seat up to age 2.	child passenger safety, car seat, booster seat	Passed House
Wisconsin	H 400	Loudenbeck	May be action to require a child under age 2 to be in a rear facing car seat.	child passenger safety, age requirement, rear-facing	
Safety Belts in Motor Vehicles					
State	Legislation	Sponsor	Notes	Tags	Status
Alabama	H 93/ S 73	Holmes, Ross	Require safety belts to be fastened for all occupants.	safety belts	Passed House committee
Alabama	H 602	Sells	Would increase the fines for a person not wearing safety belt in ythe front seat	safety belts	
Arkansas	H 1387	Payton	Would make a violation of seat belt law a secondary offense.	safety belts, secondary	
Connecticut	S 460/ H 6269	Bolinsky, McCarthy, Vahey	Requires back seat passengers to wear safety belts.	safety belts, passenger safety	
Kansas	H 2076 S 89	House, Senate Transportation Committees	Creates seat belt safety fund and increases the fine for a seat belt violation by an adult.	seat belt safety, violation	Passed both houses
Maryland	H 1285	Stein	Would upgrade rear seat safety belt enforcement to be primary and eliminate the loophole allowing a person in the middle rear seat to be unbuckled.	rear-seat, primary enforcement, upgrade	Passed house but then recommitted to Committee
Maryland	S 165	Miller	Restriction on provisional license if safety belts are not being worn by driver or passengers.	seat belt safety, restriction, provisional license	
Massachusetts	H 1304	Roy	Sets fine for people 16 and older for not wearing a seat belt. Makes it primary enforcement.	seat belt, primary	
Massachusetts	S 1960	Motigny	Would require children 13 and under to sit in rear seat.	rear seat	hearing 4/12
Mississippi	H 539	Massengil	Requires safety belt usage for all passengers, front or rear seat.	safety belt, front seat, rear seat	
Mississippi	H 894	Crawford	Requires all passengers in a motor vehicle to wear a properly fastened safety seat belt system when the vehicle is operated on a public road.	safety belt, all passengers, public road	
Mississippi	H 1237	Williams-Barnes	Requires rear-seat passengers ages 8 through 17 to wear a properly fastened safety seat belt system.	safety belts, passenger safety, age requirement	
Mississippi	S 2724	Simmons	Requires that the driver and all passengers must wear a seat belt.	seat belt, passenger safety	Enacted 04.05.2017 Eff 07.01.2017
Mississippi	S 2416	Jolly	Repeals the seat belt requirement for those who are 18 and older.	seat belt, age requirement	Died
Montana	LC 402/SB 9	Committee	Provides for primary enforcement of safety belt laws.	primary enforcement, safety belts	Died
Nevada	S 156	Woodhouse	Increases age booster seat age to 8, and makes child occupant protection a primary offense	booster seat; primary	Passed Senate

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New York	A 1582	Mosley	Requires anyone under 16 to be restrained with a seat belt or car seat, including in taxicabs.	age requirement, seat belt, car seat	
New York	S 2928	Dilan	No person 16 or over can be a passenger in a motor vehicle without being restrained by a safety belt approved by the commissioner of motor vehicles.	safety belts, passenger safety	
New York	S 3446	Serrano	Would require person in rear seat to wear a safety belt.	seat belt, safety belt	
New York	A 3441	Galef	Relates to when a child must be seated in the front seat, requiring safety belts.	seat belt, safety belt, age requirement	
Oklahoma	HB 1637	Inman	Increases seat belt age to 14	seat belt	
Utah	H 265	McCay	Repealed secondary offense language	seat belt, secondary	Enacted 3.25.2017 Eff 01.01.2018
Vermont	H 103	Till	Primary enforcement of the adult safety belt law.	seat belt safety, safety belt law, primary enforcement	
Vermont	H 511	Transportation Committee	Reverts seat belt law to secondary enforcement for adults	seat belt, primary	
Virginia	H 1558	Krizek	Requires all passengers to wear safety belts, going beyond passengers 18 years old.	age requirement, belts, passenger safety,	
Wyoming	H 185	Dayton	Would repeal the prohibition on halting a motor vehicle solely for only a safety belt violation.	safety belts, repeal, primary, secondary	Did not pass house, failed
Distracted Driving					
State	Legislation	Sponsor	Notes	Tags	Status
Arizona	S 375	Bond	Would prohibit texting while driving	distracted driving, texting	Enacted 3.27.2017 Eff 7.31.2017
Colorado	S 27	Court	Would increase penalty for texting while driving	distracted driving, texting	Passed both houses
Connecticut	HB 5301	Sredzinski	Increases fines for repeat offenders of distracted driving.	fine, distracted driving, distracted driving	
Florida	HB 47	Waites, Slosberg, Stark	Revises penalties for violations of Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law to enhance penalties (by doubling fines) for such violations when committed in school zone or school crossing. Removes secondary enforcement requirement.	texting, school zone, school crossing, secondary-enforcement, distracted driving, enhanced penalties, fines, violations	
Florida	SB 144/ HB 69	Garcia	Primary enforcement of the Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law for drivers age 18 or younger.	primary enforcement, texting, age requirement, teen driver safety	
Georgia	HB 7	Waites	Allows only hands-free operation of wireless devices.	hands-free, distracted driving	
Iowa	S 156	Boulton	Makes use of electronic device primary enforcement	distracted driving	Enacted 04.17.2017
Kansas	S 144 H 2010	Transportation Committee	Would prohibit use of wireless communication in school or work zones.	distracted driving, school zone	Passed Senate
Missouri	HB 284/ HB 312	Brown	Allows only hands-free operation of wireless devices.	hands-free, distracted driving	
Missouri	HB 378	Brown	Prohibits text messaging unless the device is equipped with technology allowing for hands-free texting.	texting, hands-free, distracted driving	
Missouri	SB 165	Schupp	Broadens ban on using cell phones for text messaging while driving a motor vehicle to all drivers, not just those under 21.	cell phones, texting, distracted driving	
Montana	LC 946/HB 380	(Court)	Texting ban.	texting, ban, distracted driving	

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Montana	HB 180	Loge	Bans use of handheld devices in school and work zones, but allows hand-free use.	ban, handheld device, distracted driving, distracted driving	
Montana	HB 194	Traber	Would prohibit local governments from enacting laws that restrict device use while driving.	texting, device usage, prohibitions, distracted driving	
New Hampshire	HB 214	Schleien	Would repeal prohibitions on electronic device usage while driving including texting while driving.	texting, device usage, prohibitions, repeal, distracted driving	
New Mexico	SB 55	Neville	Increase the fines for reckless driving, careless driving, and texting while driving.	fines, reckless driving, texting, distracted driving	
Oklahoma	SB 44	Sharp	Total handheld ban of phone (change from manual texting ban)—allows hand-free use.	ban, handheld phone, hand-free, distracted driving	
South Carolina	H 3246	Crosby, Smith	Creates a fine for distracted driving of up to \$500.	fine, distracted driving	
Texas	HB 62/ SB 31/ SB 67	Craddick, Zaffarini, Cook, Lucio III, Green, Wu	Make it offense to use a portable wireless communication device to read, write, or send an electronic message while operating a motor vehicle unless the vehicle is stopped.	ban device, offense, distracted driving	HB 62 Passed House
Texas	HB 520	Turner	vehicle in a school zone, or when child under 18 is in car; unless the vehicle is stopped.	texting, school zone, distracted driving	
Vermont	SB 127	LaLonde	An act relating to distracted driving, including in school zones.	distracted driving, school zone, distracted driving	Passed both houses
Virginia	SB 860/ HB 461	Surovell, Anderson	Updates distracted driving issues to the driver's license exam; ban of hand held free devices except for when the vehicle is stopped.	distracted driving, exam, exemption, hands-free	
Virginia	H 1606	Villanueva	Prohibits use of handheld device in a highway work zone when there are workers present.	hand-held device, ban, work zone, distracted driving	
Virginia	H 1834	Anderson	Expands prohibition on manually entering text in a handheld device while operating a motor vehicle and from "reading any information displayed on the device."	texting, hand-held communication, prohibition, distracted driving	
Virginia	HB 454/ SB 286	Davis, De Steph	Video and televisions should not be equipped in a vehicle within view of the driver.	video, television, distracted driving	
Washington	SB5289	Rivers	Increases severity of distracted driving law;	distracted driving	Enacted Eff 07.23.2017
Speed, including video enforcement for speeding					
State	Legislation	Sponsor	Notes	Tags	Status
California	A 342	Chiu	Authorizes 5-year pilot for autoated enforcement in San Jose and San Francisco	automated traffic enforcement	Passed 2 Assembly Committees
Florida	SB 180	Rodriguez	Allows for automated traffic enforcement, but limits the amount of fines and gives an alternative of a training course.	automated traffic enforcement, fines, training	
Florida	H 6007	Avila	Would repeal authorization for speed cameras	repeal, automated enforcement	
Illinois	H 321	McSweeney	Would repeal the law allowing automated traffic enforcement.	repeal, automated enforcement	

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Indiana	H 1261	Soliday	Would authorize local government to engage in automated traffic enforcement.	government, local, automated trafficenforcement	
Iowa	SF220	Judiciary	Prohibits use of red light cameras	automated enforcement	Passed Senate
Kansas	H 2040	Transpo Committee	Sets rules for use of automated enforcement on passing school buses.	automated enforcement, school buses	
Mississippi	HB 246	Touchstone	Provides that no person shall drive a vehicle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the conditions and having regard to the actual and potential hazards then existing.	speed, hazards, conditions	
Missouri	HB 275		Prohibits use of red light cameras	automated enforcement, repeal	Passed House
Montana	H 149	Curdy	Decreases speed limit in school zone to as low as 15 mph.	speed, school zones	
New Jersey	A 4336	Allen	Sets criteria for setting speed limits in school zones.	speed, speed limit, school zones	
New York	S 336	Peralta	Allows for a 60-day license suspension for drivers convicted of 3 or more speeding violations within a school zone in an 18-month period of time.	suspension, speeding, school zones	
New York	S 357/ S 358/ S 472/ S 518/ S 590	Peralta, Young	Series of bills allowing New York City to make its school zones video enforcement program permanent	school zones, video enforcement, program	
New York	A 356	Braunstein	Provides for speed limit reductions and traffic calming measures.	speed, speed limit, reduction, traffic calming	
New York	S 1634	Golden	Requires signage and authorizes use of traffic calming strategies in school zones.	traffic calming, school zones	
New York	SB 518/ A 321	Young	Authorizes cameras on school buses to detect cars passing school buses.	school buses, cameras, passing, school bus safety	
New York	S 4238	Dilan	Imposes surcharge for moving violation in school zone.	speed, school zones	
New York	S 336 A 5266	Peralta Glick	Requires license suspension for multiple school zone speed violations		
New York	A 6446 A 6453	DenDekker	Eliminate limits on hours when video enforcement operates in NYC school zones	automated enforcement	
Texas	HB 808	Fallon	Would ban most automated traffic enforcement.	ban, automated enforcement	
Texas	H67/ S90 / H88	Gonzales; Hall	Would repeal a speeding offense, but makes an exception for school zones.	repeal, speeding, school zones	H88 passed Senate
Texas	H 354	Raney	Establishes a procedure to set speed limits in school zones.	procedure, speed limit, school zone	Passes House
Utah	H 235	McKell	Allows camera on school buses	camera, school bus	Enacted 03.21.2017
Vermont	H 17	LaLonde	Creates legislative authority for establishing speed limits as low as 15 mph in school zones.	speed limit, authority, school zones	
Virginia	HB 1666/ S 1070	Toscono; Deeds	Speed limits can be enforced via automated cameras, including in school zones with \$50 limit on fines.	speed, speed limit, cameras, fines, video enforcement, speed monitoring, school zone	
West Virginia	H 2185	Caputo	Would allow local gov'ts to lower speed limits where school buses travel.	school zone, speed limit, school buses	
Teen Driver Safety (including "older novice drivers")					
State	Legislation	Sponsor	Notes	Tags	Status
Alabama	HB 29/SB26	Holmes	Would provide "reversions" and revocations for violations in GDL status	GDL, violations, teen driver safety	Passed both houses

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Alabama	HB 29	Holmes	Violations of the intermediate license results in a 6-month reversion to the learner's permit stage and fine of \$250--parents could be fined also if they knew of the violation.	Intermediate license, learner's permit, fine, violations, driver's education	
Arizona	SB 1080	Fann	Would forbid teen permitted driver from using a dell phone except in emergency	Teen, distracted	Passed Senate; passed transpo committee
California	AB 63	Frazier	Would expand the scope of the provisional licensing program by extending the applicable age range for the program to 16 to under 21 years of age.	provisional licensing, age requirement, teen driver safety	Passsembly Assembly, hearing in Senate
Indiana	H 410	DuPlessis	Requires anyone under 21 to complete driver's safety course if driver has been involved in 2 points earning offenses	older novice	Enacted 03.21.2017 Eff 01.01.2019
Kentucky	HB 77	DuPlessis	Require drivers under 18 who apply for an instruction permit to enroll in one of three categories of driver education courses.	instruction permit, education, teen driver safety	Enacted
Maine	H 316	Rykerson	Allows secondary school student to drive between 12am and 5am	night driving	
Maine	LD 711 H502	Kinney	Increases to 12 months the amount of time a person under 21 must hold a learner's permit	novice	
Maryland	S 165	Miller	Restriction on provisional license if safety belts are not being worn by driver or passengers.	seat belt safety, restriction, provisional license	
Maryland	HB 205	Dumais	Reduces time for holding a learner's permit	Novice	passed House
Maryland	HB 330	Fraser-Hidalgo	Would increase the times provisional drivers can drive at night, from 10 pm to 5 am, instead of beginning at midnight.	night driving, restrictions, teen driver safety	Failed to pass House Transpo Committee
Mississippi	HB 30	Sykes	May be action to improve education/experience requirements.	education, requirement, teen driver safety	
Missouri	HB 378	Walker	All-driver handheld ban; total device ban for drivers under 18.	device use, ban, age requirement, teen driver safety	
Montana	HB 144	Law and Justice Interim Committee, Brown	Changes term "instruction permit" to "learner's license"; self-certification of vision/med examination to renew the DI.	instruction permit, learner's permit, examination, DI, teen driver safety	
Nebraska	L 587	Crawford	Changes provisions relating to school permits.	driver's education, provisional permit	
New Hampshire	HB 364	Roberts	Authorizes DMV to suspend or revoke youth license upon information that the licensee was involved in a crash involving death or serious bodily harm	Drivers license	To House for concurrence
New Jersey	A 4405	Rible	Driver education courses would be required to provide instruction on interacting with law enforcement officer during stop.	driver's education, instruction, law enforcement	
New Jersey	A 4165	Gill	Enhances teen driving education.	education, teen driver safety	

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North Dakota	H 1287	Keiser	Refines GDL law in state.	GDL law, state, teen driver safety	
New Jersey	SB 2335	Cruz-Perez	Increases learners holding period to 12 months; requires practice driving hours	learners permit,	
New York	A 167	Gantt	Creates a driver safety course and a driver safety course fund.	learners permit,	
New York	A 3008	Committee	Disallows teen drivers from using cell phones.	cell phone, distraction	
New York	S 3285	Parker	New drivers with a class DJ or class MJ learner's permit must display sign that they are a new driver.	driver's education, learner's permit	
New York	AB 7390	Magee	Requires young drivers to display sign indicating the driver is a new driver	new driver, sign	
Pennsylvania	SB 786	Rafferty	Would limit teen drivers on GDL slope from using cell phones.	GDL, cell phone	
Rhode Island	HB 5457	Shekarchi	Establishes free driver's ed course	drivers ed	Committee progress
Rhode Island	S 394 HB 5346	Casey	Would allow provisional driver to drive himself to school for event in which no other transportation is available	teen driving	Passed legislature, to Governor
South Carolina	SB 197	Hembree	Driver accompanying a vehicle operator with a beginner's permit shall occupy a seat beside the permittee when the permittee is operation.	beginner's permit, operation, teen driver safety, driver education	
South Carolina	SB 197	Hembree	Defines where accompanying adult sits with beginning driver	GDL law	
Utah	HB 155	Thurston	Makes drunk driving felony for those under 21	DUI, alcohol	Enacted 3.23.2017 Eff 12.30.2018
School Bus Safety					
State	Legislation	Sponsor	Notes	Tags	Status
Arizona	H 1002	McElroy	Would require safety belts in school buses.	school buses, safety belts	
Arizona	H 2247	Grantham	Would place stronger standards on school bus drivers background and knowledge of safety and first aid	School bus drivers	
Arkansas	H 1002	McElroy	Would require school buses to have safety belts that meet federal requirements.	school buses, safety belts, requirements, federal, school bus safety	Enacted 3.6.2017 Eff 7.31.2017
Arkansas	HB 144	McElroy	Authorizes use of video to monitor passing of school buses.	school bus, video	
California	SB 20 A692	Hill Chu	Requires that students be buckled up, not just that buses have them, and requires education for drivers and passengers on school bus safety belts.	education, passenger safety, school bus safety, safety belts	Passed Assembly, Senate Committee
Connecticut	HB 5178/ HB 5683	Camillo	Requires school buses to have three-point lap and shoulder safety belts and for passengers to wear the safety belts. H 5683 is less stringent.	school buses, three-point lap belt shoulder safety belt, school bus safety (Article)	
Florida	HB1239	Eagle	Increases severity for passing school buses	school bus, passing	Enrolled
Hawaii	H 237	McKelvey	Requires school buses purchased after June 30, 2018, to have seat belt capacity.	school bus safety, safety belts	
Hawaii	S 172	Espero	Requires all school buses with a vehicle weight of more than ten thousand pounds to be equipped with a seat belt assembly at each designated seating position by 2019.	school bus safety, safety belts, school buses	

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Illinois	S 75/ H 529	Silverstein	Would require safety belt on newly purchased school buses.	safety belts, school buses, school bus safety	
Illinois	H 1802/ H3377	McAuliffe Lang	Would require school buses to have three point safety belts.	three-point belts, school buses, school bus safety	
Illinois	H 2374	DeLuca	Would require lap belts at a minimum.	school bus, safety belts, safety belts	
Indiana	H 1416	Cook	Establishes a school bus safety equipment grant fund to provide grants to purchase new school buses equipped with passenger safety belts or other proven safety equipment.	school bus safety, grants, safety equipment, safety belts	
Indiana	H 1292/ S 430	Bartlett	Would require three-point safety belts in school buses.	three-point belts, school buses, school bus safety	
Indiana	S 551	Sandlin	After June 30, 2017, if a school acquires a new school bus it must be equipped with a 3-point lap and shoulder safety belt at each seating location.	school bus safety, 3-point lap belt, shoulder belt	
Indiana	S 556	Melton	Any school bus placed in operation after June 30, 2018 must have a 3-point lap and shoulder belt at each seat.	school bus safety, 3-point safety belt, shoulder safety belt	
Kansas	H 2008	Swanson	Would require all school buses to be equipped with lap-shoulder safety belts that meet federal standards.	school buses, lap-shoulder safety belts, federal, standards, school bus safety	
Kansas	H 2040	Transpo Committee	Sets rules for use of automated enforcement on passing school buses.	passing, school buses, school bus safety, automated enforcement	
Maryland	H 23	Lam	Would require safety belts on school buses.	safety belts, school buses, school bus safety	
Maryland	S 155/ H 341	Brochin, Miele	Requires school vehicles purchased after July 1, 2018, to be equipped with specified safety belts for every seat on the school vehicle.	school bus safety, school vehicle, safety belts	
Maryland	S 264/ H259	Luedtke, King	Would require school buses to be equipped with safety belts.	school bus safety, school vehicle, safety belts	
Maryland	S 987	Nathan-Pulliam	Prohibits transport of students in vehicles without safety belts.	school bus safety, school vehicle, safety belts	
Massachusetts	S 1350 H 1257 H 2486 H2517	O'Connor Dwyer DiZoglio Cabral	Would require school buses to be equipped with safety belts.	school bus safety, seat belt	
Michigan	H 4045	Kosowski	Would require safety belts on new school buses.	school bus safety, safety belts	
Minnesota	H 84	Freiberg	Requires newly purchased school buses to be equipped with safety belts. Does not specify type of safety belt.	school buses, safety belts, school bus safety	
Mississippi	HB 446	Dixon	Requires school districts to put safety belts in school buses.	requirement, safety belts, school buses, school bus safety	
Mississippi	H 546	Karriem	Would require safety belts on school buses.	safety belts, school buses, school bus safety	
Mississippi	H 1168	Gibbs	Requires each school bus purchased to be equipped with safety belts and on-board cameras.	school bus safety, cameras, safety belts	
Missouri	S 522	Sifton	Require lap-shoulder safety belts on school uses	school bus safety, lap-belt	
Nebraska	L 279	Hilkemann	Would require operator of school bus to wear lap belt.	school bus, operator, lap belt, school bus safety	Passed Assembly committee
New Jersey	A 4989 S 4989	Andrzejczak	Prohibits school buses from stopping to pick up or discharge students with high speed limits or safe ways to cross	school bus	

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Nevada	A 485	Transpo Committee	Requires new schoolbuses to be equipped with safety belts	School bus, safety belt	
New Hampshire	HB 196	Guthrie	Establishes committee to study the requirements of school bus passengers to wear safety belts.	study, passenger safety, safety belts, school bus safety	
New Jersey	S 211	Holzapfel, Whelan	Authorizes use of video to monitor passing of school buses.	video monitor, school buses, school bus safety	Passed Senate
New Jersey	S 734	Beach, Greenstein	Prohibits interference with school bus monitoring devices.	school buses, monitoring devices, school bus safety	
New York	SB 518/ A 321	Young Magnarelli	Authorizes cameras on school buses to detect cars passing school buses.	school buses, cameras, passing, school bus safety	
New York	S 4916	Diaz Ru	Provides for school buses to be equipped with video capacity	school buses, video	
New York	A 4701	Cusick	Would require school buses to have three point safety belts, but establishes appropriations as a condition precedent.	school buses, three-point belts, school bus safety	
North Carolina	S 55	McInnis	Authorizes cameras on school buses to detect cars passing school buses.	school buses, cameras, passing, school bus safety	Passes Senate
Oklahoma	S 344	Holt	Increases fines for school bus passing.	school bus, passing	
Oregon	H 3073	Hack	Requires safety belts on school buses.	school bus, seat belt	
Pennsylvania	S 78/ H533	Greenleaf Thomas	Would require school buses to have retractable safety belts.	school bus, retractable safety belts, school bus safety	
Rhode Island	H 5050/ S 174 H5679	Nardolillo, Satchell, O'Brien	Requires newly purchased school buses to have three-point safety belts.	school buses, three-point belts, school bus safety	
South Carolina	O'Brien	Robinson-Simpson	Would require all school buses to be equipped with lap-shoulder safety belts and require them to be worn during operation.	school buses, lap-shoulder belts, requirement, school bus safety	
South Carolina	H 3027	Clary	Would require all school buses must be equipped with lap safety belts.	school buses, lap-safety belts, school bus safety	
South Carolina	H3061	Simpson	By Aug. 1, 2019, all school buses must be equipped with lap-shoulder safety belts.	school buses, lap-shoulder belts, school bus safety	
Tennessee	HB 395 SB 381	Gardenhire	Would require school buses to be equipped with safety belts.	school buses, safety belts, safety belts (article)	Passed House Transpo committee
Texas	H 1188 S 693	Phelan, Garcia	Relates to three-point safety belts on school buses.	school bus safety, three-point safety belts	Enacted
Texas	S 194	Garcia	Authorizes program to have safety belts in school buses, speaks of both lap belts and three-point belts.	safety belts, program, school buses, lap belts, three-point belts, school bus safety	
Virginia	HJ 570	Lingamfelter	Would require study on the effectiveness of requiring safety belts on school buses.	study, safety belts, school buses, school bus safety	
Virginia	HB 1561	Krizek	New buses must have safety belts and all buses must be equipped with safety belts by 2027; type of belt not specified.	safety belts, school buses, school bus safety	
Virginia	HB 168/ HB 50/ HB 915/ HB 243/ SB 16/ SB 74	LaRock, Kory, Toscano, Minchew, Favola, Wexton	Establishes procedure under which a summons can be provided to a driver video recorded to have passed a stopped school bus.	summons, video recorder, school bus, school bus safety	
Washington	S 5054 S 5503 H 1246	Dansel Baumgartner McCabe	Would require safety belts on school buses.	safety belts, school buses, school bus safety	
School Zones, Pedestrian Safety					
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California	AB 1103	Obernolte	Would allow a bicyclist to slow up at stop sign, but not require a full stop, yield not stop.	bicyclists	
Florida	H 493 S 1416	Toledo Young	"Cameron Maynew Act" Requires state DOT to adopt uniform system of high visibility markings and signage for designation of safe school crossing locations.	school zones,	Enacted
Florida	HB1239	Eagle	mandatory noncriminal penalties, fines, driver license suspension, and driver	school bus, passing	Passed both chambers
Georgia	S 142 H 458	Kennedy Powell	Authorizes automated camera enforcement in school zones.	school zones, cameras	
Illinois	S 822/ H 2985	Harris Evans	Would set serious sanctions for overtaking a school bus, including license revocation.	school bus, passing	Passed Senate
Kansas	H 2040	Transportation Committee	Clarifies fines and citations for passing school bus.	fines, citations, passing, school bus, school bus safety	
Maine	LD 752	Hilliard	Would improve signage on speed limits in school zones	school zones, speed limit	
Maryland	S 165	Miller	Establishes maximum speed limits in school zones.	school zone, speed limit	
Maryland	H 1199	Bromwell	Allows state or local overnment to place traffic controls in school zones.	school zone, speed limit	
Massachusetts	H 1883	Provost	Establishes authority to create traffic safety zones in Boston where speed limit can be lowered.	school zone, speed limit	
Missouri	S 520	Emery	Maintains a heightened status for school zone speeding	school zone, speed limit	
Montana	D 1703/ HB 459	Curdy	Allows decrease of speed limits in school zones.	school zone, speed limit	
New Jersey	A 4449	Brown	Would lift the burden/responsibility solely on driver. Would remove "stop and stay stopped" rule.	pedestrian, stop-for-pedestrians	
New York	A 4554	Blakenbush	Would provide for speed limit of 15 mph in school zone.	speed limit	
New York	A 5266	Glick	Would suspend driver's license after 3 or more school zone speed violations.	school zone, speed limit	
Ohio	H 219	Boccieri			
Utah	H 235	McKell	Would authorize cameras to catch school bus passers	school zone, passing, camera	Enacted; Eff 5/9/2017
Motocycles, motor scooter, auticycle, and moped safety					
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Hawaii	S 178, S179	Green	Requires passengers and drivers of motorcycles, motor scooters, and mopeds wear helmets.	helmet, motorcycle safety, passenger safety	
Missouri	H 576	McCaherty	Would require operator of motorcycle under 21 to wear a helmet	helmet, motorcycle safety	Passed House
Washington	H 1485	Blake	Only those under 18 years of age must wear a helmet while on a motorcycle.	helmet, motorcycle safety, age requirement	
Wyoming	S 109	Barnard	There must be regulation, registration and licensure of autocycles.	autocycles, registration	
Sports Safety					
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Arizona	H 2208/ H 2221	Carter Leach	Would allow coaches, licensed health care providers and an athlete's parent to pull a kid from play. The athlete can return to play after being cleared by a licensed health care provider who is trained in the evaluation and management of concussions head injuries.	brain injury, return to play, sports safety, return to play	
Arizona	S 1282	Smith	Relates to a pupil's wellbeing during an athletic activity and that the coach, licensed health care provider, or parent may remove a child from play in event of suspected concussion.	brain injury, sports safety, return to play	
Arkansas	S 109	Hutchinson	Expands scope of athletic trainer responsibilities.	athletic trainer	
California	SB 442	Newman	Would heighten home pool safety.	swimming pools, drowning	Hearing 4/18
Connecticut	S 71	Kissel	Requires officials to eject student or youth sports athletes who intentionally hit another player in the head.	brain injury, sports safety	
Connecticut	H 7171	Committee on Public Health	Expands scope of athletic trainer responsibilities.	athletic trainer	Passed House
Connecticut	H 7048	Committee on Public Health	Expands return to play law.	return to play, concussions	
Indiana	S 359	Lanane	Requires the state department of education to develop guidelines to school corporations concerning protocols for a student who has received a concussion or brain injury to return to classroom work.	state department, education, protocols, concussion, brain injury, sports safety, return to learn	
Iowa	H 17	Jones	Requires health care professionals with the ability to assess injury to be available at youth athletic contests. If they recognize signs or symptoms of brain injury concussion in an athlete, they must report it to the child's parents.	brain injury, sports safety, return to play	
Iowa	H 563	House Ed Committee	Would strengthen concussion law, especially on return to play and headgear.	brain injury, sports safety, headgear	
Kansas	S 70	Francisco	Would heighten safety in amusement parks	amusement park	Passed, to Governor
Kansas	H 2218	HHS Committee	Clarifies return to play law	return to play	
Kentucky	H 241	Sims	Strengthens return to play law	return to play	
Maryland	H 513	Chang	Requires county board of education to sanction/ suspend coach who violates the return to play law.	return to play	
Minnesota	S 1477 H 1714	Abeler Hamilton	Enhances return to play law	return to play	
Missouri	H 646	Fitzwater	Establishes the "Youth Sports Brain Injury Prevention Act" which creates guidelines for safety and protection against long-term injury to youth athletes.	brain injury, sports safety	
Montana	D 167/ HB 487	Funk	Strengthens return to play law by applying it to non-public schools and youth athletic leagues	return to play	Enacted

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New York	A6050 S1297	Aubry Marcellino	Legislation to establish rules and regs to schools on best practices for dealing with sudden cardiac arrest	cardiac arrest, sports safety	
New York	A 2834	Sepulveda	Creates the student athlete bill of rights; An athletic program must have ability to deal with related concussions and dehydration.	brain injury, dehydration, guidelines, sports safety, return to play	
North Carolina	S 302	Davis	Would improve youth sports safety by focusing on county and municipal rec programs	sports safety, recreation centers	
Rhode Island	H 5119	Kazarian	Requires that Interscholastic League Athletes and youth sports athletes who are female and 19 years of age or younger and who play certain softball positions wear protective face masks during practice and at games.	brain injury, sports safety	
Rhode Island	S 23	Lombardi	During all sporting events, an adult who recognizes symptoms of a concussion must be present.	return to play	
Home Safety					
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Alaska	H 27	Tarr	Would regulate chemicals in car seats, and other children's products	car seats, chemicals, child safety, children's products, home safety	
Alaska	H 53	Drummond	Relates to flame retardants and the production, sale, and distribution of flame retardant-containing products.	home safety, flame retardant, regulation	
California	SB442	Newman	Strenghtens home pool safety	swimming pools, drowning	Passed first Senate Committee
California	SB794	Stern	Would require child resistant packaging for marijuana edible products	marijuana	Passed Sente
District of Columbia			May be action to pass a 10-year smoke alarm bill	smoke alarms, home safety	
Illinois	H3773	Willis	Would require 10-year-capacity smoke alarms	smoke alarms, home safety	Passed Senate
Maryland	H 206	Angel	Prohibits selling, importing or offering products with specific flame retardant chemicals.	home safety, chemicals, flame-retardant, child care products	
Massachusetts	H 439/ S 1191	Kaufman Donnelly	Requires disclosure of toxic chemical in children's products.	chemicals, children's products, child safety, regulation, home safety	
Minnesota	H 727/ S 216	Hilstrom Rest	Would regulate chemicals in children's products.	chemicals, children's products, child safety, regulation, home safety	
Missouri	H 581	Unsicker	Would ban the sale of crib bumpers.	crib bumpers, ban, home safety	
New York	A 8602 (2015)	Simotas	Bill to regulate sale of liquid laundry packets.	laundry packets, regulation, home safety	
New York	S 1454 S 6034	Avella	Would regulate chemicals in children's products	chemicals, children's products, child safety, regulation, home safety	
New York	A 1884/ S 3438	Kavanagh	Would ban use of formaldehyde in children's products.	ban, formaldehyde, child safety, children's products, home safety	
New York City	na	Garodnick	Bill to regulate sale of liquid laundry packets.	laundry packets, regulation, home safety	
North Carolina	H 767	Harrison	Prohibits sale of child products containing Bisphenol A, Tris or Phthalates	chemicals	
North Dakota	ND 1201	Sukut	Would require certain homes to have CO detectors	home, carbon monoxide	vetoed 4.26.2017
Vermont	S 103 H 268	Lyons Deen	Would regulate chemicals in car seats.	chemicals, car seats	
West Virginia	S 418	Carmichael	Would regulate chemicals in car seats.	chemicals, car seats	

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Off Highway Vehicle Safety					
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Indiana	HB1200	Arnold	Require people under 18 to wear helmets on ATVs	ATV, helmets	Enacted 04.24.2017
Iowa	S 96	Kinney	Would require minors to wear helmets while riding motorcycles, motorized bicycles, and ATVs.		
Kentucky	H 288	Linder	Requires safety belts in ATVs.		
Maine	LD 41/ H 210	Davis	Exempts person under 18 from wearing a helmet in an ATV if they are wearing a seat belt and it is equipped with roll bars.	helmet, ATVs, seat belt, roll bars	
New Hampshire	H 237	Smith	Would establish a study on use of car seats/helmets on OHRVs.	study, car seats, helmets, OHRVs, ATVs	
New York	A 1018	Gantt	Requires persons sixteen years of age or older to wear a helmet when operating an electric assisted bicycle.	helmets, electric assisted bicycle	
North Dakota	H 1241	Weisz	Would lower the minimum age for operating an ATV to 10 with certain conditions.	minimum age, ATVs	
Washington	S 5156	Brown	Changes the law for motorcycle helmets to only apply to individuals under the age of 18. Currently, all riders must wear helmets.	helmets, motorcycles	

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