

CHAPTER 254—S.F.No. 3087

An act relating to child care; changing the requirement for use of child passenger restraint systems; amending Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 245A.18, subdivision 2.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2005 Supplement, section 245A.18, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Child passenger restraint systems; training requirement.** (a) Family and group family child care, child care centers, child foster care, and other programs licensed by the Department of Human Services that serve a child or children under nine years of age must document training that fulfills the requirements in this subdivision.

(b) Before a license holder, staff person, caregiver, or helper transports a child or children under age nine in a motor vehicle, the person transporting the child must satisfactorily complete training on the proper use and installation of child restraint systems in motor vehicles. Training completed under this section may be used to meet initial or ongoing training under the following:

- (1) Minnesota Rules, part 2960.3070, subparts 1 and 2;
- (2) Minnesota Rules, part 9502.0385, subparts 2 and 3; and
- (3) Minnesota Rules, part 9503.0035, subparts 1 and 4.

(c) Training required under this section must be at least one hour in length, completed at orientation or initial training, and repeated at least once every five years. At a minimum, the training must address the proper use of child restraint systems based on the child's size, weight, and age, and the proper installation of a car seat or booster seat in the motor vehicle used by the license holder to transport the child or children.

(d) Training under paragraph (c) must be provided by individuals who are certified and approved by the Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety. License holders may obtain a list of certified and approved trainers through the Department of Public Safety Web site or by contacting the agency.

(e) Child care providers that only transport school age children as defined in section 245A.02, subdivision 16, in school buses as defined in section 169.01, subdivision 6, clauses (1) to (4), are exempt from this subdivision.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Section 1 is effective July 1, 2006.

Presented to the governor May 22, 2006

Signed by the governor May 26, 2006, 4:50 p.m.