Maryland’s Child Passenger Safety Law
(Effective October 1, 2012)

• Every child under 8 years old must ride in an appropriate child restraint* unless the child is 4 feet, 9 inches or taller.

• Every child from 8 to 16 years old who is not secured in a child restraint must be secured in a vehicle seat belt.

Protect your children as they ride!
Children under 13 years old should ride in the back seat.
The back seat is the safest.

Questions?
Call Maryland Kids In Safety Seats (KISS) at 1-800-370-SEAT or (410) 767-6016,
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or visit us online at www.mdkiss.org

* “Child restraint” includes car seats, booster seats, or other federally approved safety devices.

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