

2023 Kansas Statutes

8-15,115. Unlawful manufacture, importation, distribution, sale, offering for sale, installation or reinstallation of a counterfeit supplemental restraint system component or nonfunctional airbag. (a) No person shall knowingly or intentionally manufacture, import, distribute, sell, offer for sale, install or reinstall a device intended to replace a supplemental restraint system component if the device is:

- (1) A counterfeit supplemental restraint system component;
- (2) a nonfunctional airbag; or
- (3) any object in lieu of a supplemental restraint system component that was not designed in accordance with federal safety regulations for the make, model and year of the motor vehicle in which such device is or will be installed.

(b) Violation of subsection (a) shall be a class A nonperson misdemeanor.

(c) As used in this section:

(1) "Airbag" means a motor vehicle inflatable occupant restraint system device that is part of a supplemental restraint system.

(2) "Counterfeit supplemental restraint system component" means a replacement supplemental restraint system component that displays a mark identical or substantially similar to the genuine mark of a motor vehicle manufacturer or a supplier of parts to the manufacturer of a motor vehicle without authorization from that manufacturer or supplier.

(3) "Nonfunctional airbag" means a replacement airbag that:

- (A) Was previously deployed or damaged;
- (B) has an electric fault that is detected by the motor vehicle's diagnostic systems when the installation procedure is completed and the motor vehicle is returned to the customer who requested the work to be performed or when ownership is intended to be transferred;

(C) includes a part or object, including a supplemental restraint system component, installed in a motor vehicle to mislead the owner or operator of the motor vehicle into believing that a functional airbag has been installed; or

(D) is prohibited from being sold or leased in accordance with 49 U.S.C. § 30120(j).

(4) "Supplemental restraint system" means a passive inflatable motor vehicle occupant crash protection system designed for use in conjunction with active restraint systems as described in 49 C.F.R. § 571.208. A supplemental restraint system includes:

(A) Each airbag installed in accordance with the motor vehicle manufacturer's design; and

(B) all components required to ensure that an airbag operates as designed in the event of a crash and in accordance with the federal motor vehicle safety standards for the specific make, model and year of the motor vehicle.

(d) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the uniform act regulating traffic on highways.

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