

2016 Missouri Revised Statutes
TITLE XXXVIII CRIMES AND PUNISHMENT; PEACE OFFICERS AND PUBLIC DEFENDERS (556-600)

Chapter 568 Offenses Against the Family
Section 568.052 (Transferred 2014; now 577.300)
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577.300. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Collision", the act of a motor vehicle coming into contact with an object or a person;
- (2) "Injures", to cause physical harm to the body of a person;
- (3) "Motor vehicle", any automobile, truck, truck-tractor, or any motor bus or motor-propelled vehicle not exclusively operated or driven on fixed rails or tracks;
- (4) "Unattended", not accompanied by an individual fourteen years of age or older.

2. A person commits the offense of leaving a child unattended in a motor vehicle in the first degree if such person knowingly leaves a child less than eleven years of age unattended in a motor vehicle and such child fatally injures another person by causing a motor vehicle collision or by causing the motor vehicle to fatally injure a pedestrian.

3. Leaving a child unattended in a motor vehicle in the first degree is a class C felony.

4. A person commits the offense of leaving a child unattended in a motor vehicle in the second degree if such person knowingly leaves a child less than eleven years of age unattended in a motor vehicle and such child injures another person by causing a motor vehicle collision or by causing the motor vehicle to injure a pedestrian.

5. The offense of leaving a child unattended in a motor vehicle in the second degree is a class A misdemeanor.

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