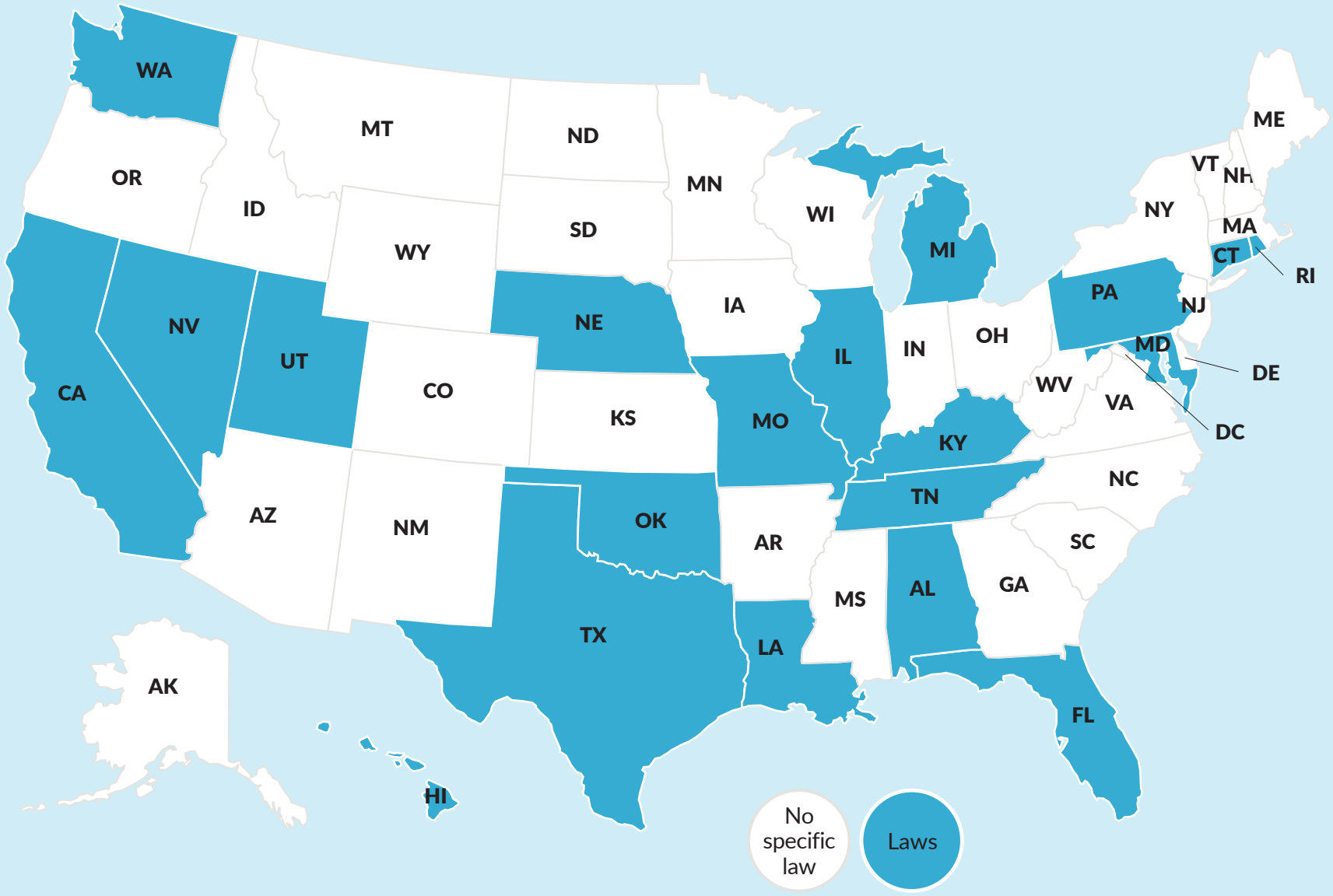
Child Unattended in Vehicle State Laws



Kids and Car Safety
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Currently there are 20 U.S. states that have specific laws making it illegal to leave a child unattended in a vehicle. Each state law is unique with varying ages, amount of time a child can be left alone in a vehicle and the legal consequences. Even in states without a law, a caregiver can be charged with child endangerment, child neglect or similar charges for leaving a child(ren) unattended inside a vehicle.