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To enact section 4549.20 of the Revised Code to 1
prohibit any person from installing in any motor 2
vehicle any air bag other than one designed in 3
accordance with and meeting federal law standards 4
for the make, model, and model year of the 5
vehicle. 6

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 4549.20 of the Revised Code be 7
enacted to read as follows: 8

Sec. 4549.20. (A) As used in this section, "air bag" has the 9
same meaning as in 49 C.F.R. 579.4, as amended. 10

(B) No person shall install or reinstall in any motor vehicle 11
any object to fulfill the function of an air bag, including an air 12
bag, other than an air bag that was designed in conformance with 13
or that is regulated by federal motor vehicle safety standard 14
number 208 for the make, model, and model year of the vehicle, 15
knowing that the object is not in accordance with that standard. 16

(C) Whoever violates division (B) of this section is guilty 17

of improper replacement of a motor vehicle air bag, a misdemeanor
of the first degree on a first offense. On each subsequent
offense, the person is guilty of a felony of the fifth degree.

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