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- 1 Admissibility into evidence.** Prior law did not allow evidence in a suit for personal injury or property damage resulting from use or operation of a motor vehicle of (1) use or failure to use a seat belt or child restraint system, or (2) installation or failure to install seatbelts or a child restraint system.  
The act allows this kind of evidence to be admitted in an action for damages involving a defectively designed, manufactured, installed or operating seat belt or child restraint system.
- 2 Effective date; application.** Immediate. Applies to actions pending on or started on or after the effective date.