299A.11 VEHICLE TRANSPORTING WHEELCHAIR USER; DEFINITIONS.

Subdivision 1. **Scope.** The following terms have the definitions given them for the purposes of sections 299A.11 to 299A.17.

Subd. 2. **Operator.** "Operator" means any person, firm, partnership, corporation, service club, public or private agency, city, town or county. Section 299A.15 does not apply to any school bus as defined in section 169.011, subdivision 71.

Subd. 3. **Transit vehicle.** "Transit vehicle" means a bus that is not a school bus as defined in section 169.011, subdivision 71, with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 15,000 pounds.

Subd. 4. **Transportation service.** "Transportation service" means the transportation by motor vehicle, other than a school bus manufactured before January 1, 1988, of any sick, injured, invalid, incapacitated, or disabled individual while occupying a wheelchair, which transportation is offered or provided by any operator to the public or to its employees or in connection with any other service offered by the operator including schooling or nursing home, convalescent or child care services.

Subd. 5. **Wheelchair securement device.** "Wheelchair securement device" or "securement device" means an apparatus installed in a transit vehicle or other motor vehicle for the purpose of securing an occupied wheelchair into a location in the vehicle and preventing movement of that wheelchair while the vehicle is in motion.

History: *1978 c 752 s 1; 1987 c 383 s 16; 1991 c 163 s 1; 2005 c 56 s 1; 2020 c 83 art 1 s 78*