

Transportation Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: HB-6066

Title: AN ACT CONCERNING STREET RACING.

Vote Date: 3/24/2021

Vote Action: Joint Favorable

PH Date: 2/19/2021

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

Transportation Committee
Rep. Alphonso Paolillo, 97th House District
Rep. David Michel, 146th House District
Sen. Martin Looney, 11th Senate District

REASONS FOR BILL:

This bill seeks to deter illegal street racing by increasing penalties for those who participate. As incidents of illegal street racing rise, further disincentivizing it will theoretically lead to safer streets.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None expressed.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Senator Martin Looney, Senate President Pro Tempore: "Currently under 14-224(h) the impoundment can be no more than thirty days and the maximum fine is \$2,000 for the first conviction and \$3,000 for subsequent convictions. Clearly these penalties are not deterring this behavior. HB 6066 would strengthen the penalties to a level where they may create a significant deterrent."

Representative Al Paolillo, 97th House District: Describes an area which sees both heavy traffic and commonly hosts street racing, and argues that increasing penalties and fines will result in fewer instances of street racing demonstrations.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None expressed.

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Date: 3/30/2021