



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 604

LCO No. 2282



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Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by:
SEN. FLEXER, 29th Dist.

**AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR DISTRACTED DRIVING
AND STUDYING THE RECENT INCREASE IN PEDESTRIAN
FATALITIES IN CONNECTICUT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That (1) section 14-296aa of the general statutes be amended to
- 2 increase the penalties for using a hand-held mobile telephone or
- 3 electronic device when operating a motor vehicle; and (2) the
- 4 Commissioner of Transportation be required to study the recent
- 5 increase in pedestrian fatalities in the state and make recommendations
- 6 to improve pedestrian safety to the joint standing committee of the
- 7 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
- 8 transportation.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the penalties for distracted driving and to study the increase in pedestrian fatalities across the state.