

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 7378

LCO No. **6213**

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: (JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING NEGLIGENT HOMICIDE WITH A MOTOR VEHICLE AND ILLEGAL RACING.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 14-111g of the general statutes is
 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

4 (a) For the purposes of this subsection, "moving violation" means 5 any violation of subsection (c) of section 14-36 or section 14-36g, 14-212d, 14-218a, 14-219, 14-222, 14-223, 14-230 to 14-249, inclusive, 14-6 7 279, 14-283, 14-289b, 14-296aa, 14-299, 14-300, 14-301, 14-302 or 14-303, 8 and "suspension violation" means a violation of section 14-222a, as 9 amended by this act, 14-224, as amended by this act, 14-227a, 14-227m 10 or 14-227n, or section 53a-56b, 53a-57 or 53a-60d. The Commissioner of 11 Motor Vehicles may require any motor vehicle operator who is twenty-12 four years of age or less, who has been convicted of a moving violation 13 or a suspension violation, or both, committed on two or more 14 occasions to attend a motor vehicle operator's retraining program. The 15 commissioner may require any motor vehicle operator over twenty-

16 four years of age, who has been convicted of a moving violation or a 17 suspension violation or a combination of said violations, committed on 18 three or more occasions to attend a motor vehicle operator's retraining 19 program. The commissioner shall require any motor vehicle operator 20 convicted of traveling more than seventy-five miles per hour, [or] any 21 person operating a commercial motor vehicle convicted of traveling 22 more than sixty-five miles per hour in a highway work zone, as 23 defined in section 14-212d, or convicted of a violation of subdivision 24 (1) of subsection (c) of section 14-224 to attend a motor vehicle 25 operator's retraining program. The commissioner shall notify such 26 operator, in writing, of such requirement. A fee of not more than 27 eighty-five dollars shall be charged for the retraining program. The 28 commissioner, after notice and opportunity for hearing, may suspend 29 the motor vehicle operator's license of any such operator who fails to 30 attend or successfully complete the program until the operator 31 successfully completes the program. The hearing shall be limited to 32 any claim of impossibility of the operator to attend the retraining 33 program, or to a determination of mistake or misidentification.

Sec. 2. Section 14-222a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

36 [(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, any] <u>Any</u> 37 person who, in consequence of the negligent operation of a motor 38 vehicle, causes the death of another person shall be fined not more 39 than [one thousand] <u>three thousand five hundred</u> dollars or 40 imprisoned not more than [six months] <u>three years</u> or both.

[(b) Any person who, in consequence of the negligent operation of a
commercial motor vehicle, causes the death of another person shall be
fined not more than two thousand five hundred dollars or imprisoned
not more than six months, or both.]

Sec. 3. Subsection (g) of section 14-224 of the general statutes is
repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2019*):

(g) (1) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section shall be fined not less than seventy-five dollars or more than six hundred dollars or be imprisoned not more than five years or be both fined and imprisoned, and for any subsequent offense shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars or more than one thousand dollars or be imprisoned not more than five years or be both fined and imprisoned.

55 (2) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (1) of 56 subsection (c) of this section shall be fined not less than one hundred 57 fifty dollars or more than six hundred dollars or be imprisoned not 58 more than one year or be both fined and imprisoned, and for any 59 subsequent offense shall be fined not less than three hundred dollars 60 or more than one thousand dollars or be imprisoned not more than 61 one year or be both fined and imprisoned.

[(2)] (3) Any person who violates the provisions of subdivision (3) of subsection (b) or <u>subdivision (2) of</u> subsection (c) of this section shall be fined not less than seventy-five dollars or more than six hundred dollars or be imprisoned not more than one year or be both fined and imprisoned, and for any subsequent offense shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars or more than one thousand dollars or be imprisoned not more than one year or be both fined and imprisoned.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2019	14-111g(a)
Sec. 2	October 1, 2019	14-222a
Sec. 3	October 1, 2019	14-224(g)

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the penalties associated with negligent homicide with a motor vehicle and illegal racing.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]