



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6829

LCO No. 2669

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
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AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR DRUNKEN DRIVING.

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

1 That section 14-227a of the general statutes be amended to increase
2 the fines and periods of community service for first, second and
3 subsequent convictions thereof, increase the terms of imprisonment,
4 including the mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment, for second
5 and subsequent convictions thereof, mandate forfeiture of the motor
6 vehicle upon the third conviction thereof, and mandate participation in
7 an alcohol education and treatment program upon a second or
8 subsequent conviction thereof; that section 14-227b of the general
9 statutes be amended to increase the period of license suspension for
10 operators who take the breath, blood or urine test and have an
11 elevated blood alcohol level or who refuse to take such test, and
12 authorize or mandate motor vehicle forfeiture for third or subsequent
13 incidents; that section 14-227h of the general statutes be amended to
14 increase the period that a motor vehicle is impounded when the
15 operator is arrested for a violation of section 14-227a of the general
16 statutes while such operator's license is under suspension; that section
17 14-227k of the general statutes be amended to increase the penalty for

18 tampering with an ignition interlock device to a class B misdemeanor;
19 that section 53a-40f of the general statutes be amended to authorize
20 forfeiture of the motor vehicle of a persistent operating while under
21 the influence felony offender; that section 53a-56b of the general
22 statutes be amended to increase the penalty for manslaughter with a
23 motor vehicle while under the influence to a class B felony and require
24 the permanent revocation of the operator's license and the forfeiture of
25 the motor vehicle; and that section 53a-60d of the general statutes be
26 amended to increase the penalty for assault with a motor vehicle while
27 under the influence to a class C felony and authorize the forfeiture of
28 the motor vehicle.

Statement of Purpose:

To impose tougher penalties on persons who operate a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any drug, or both.