



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5380

LCO No. 1374

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by:

REP. GENGA, 10th Dist.
REP. HEWETT, 39th Dist.
REP. BARAM, 15th Dist.
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AN ACT PROHIBITING SMOKING IN MOTOR VEHICLES WITH MINOR CHILDREN.

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to: (1) Prohibit any person
2 from smoking in a motor vehicle when there is a child six years of age
3 or younger or weighing less than sixty pounds and required under
4 subsection (d) of section 14-100a of the general statutes to be secured in
5 a child restraint system in such vehicle; (2) create a rebuttable
6 presumption that a person who holds a cigarette, cigar, pipe or similar
7 device to, or in the immediate proximity of, his or her mouth while
8 such vehicle is in motion or at rest is presumed to be smoking; (3)
9 establish that any person found in violation of such prohibition shall
10 be deemed to have committed an infraction, unless such person is
11 found in violation of such prohibition for the first time during the first
12 year after the effective date of this act; and (4) establish that any person
13 found in violation of such prohibition for the first time during the first
14 year after the effective date of this act shall be issued a warning.

Statement of Purpose:

To protect children from secondhand smoke.