



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 191**

LCO No. 1298

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by:  
SEN. BYE, 5th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTY FOR CAUSING HARM TO A  
VULNERABLE USER OF A PUBLIC WAY.**

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to provide that any person  
2 operating a motor vehicle on a public way, including any public  
3 highway, road, street, avenue, alley, driveway, parkway or place,  
4 under the control of the state or any political subdivision of the state,  
5 dedicated, appropriated or opened to public travel or other use, who  
6 fails to exercise reasonable care and causes the serious physical injury  
7 or death of a vulnerable user of a public way, including any  
8 pedestrian, highway worker, person riding or driving an animal,  
9 person riding a bicycle, person using a skateboard, roller skates or  
10 inline skates, person operating or riding on an agricultural tractor or  
11 person using a wheelchair or motorized chair, provided such  
12 vulnerable user has shown reasonable care in such user's use of the  
13 public way, shall be required to attend a motor vehicle operator's  
14 retraining program and to perform community service and may be  
15 fined not more than one thousand dollars.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To increase awareness for vulnerable users of our roads.