



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6285

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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:

REP. GENGA, 10th Dist.
REP. KOKORUDA, 101st Dist.
REP. ALBIS, 99th Dist.
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REP. BARAM, 15th Dist.
REP. BECKER, 19th Dist.
REP. CAMILLO, 151st Dist.
SEN. CRISCO, 17th Dist.
REP. CURREY, 11th Dist.
SEN. FONFARA, 1st Dist.
REP. FRITZ, 90th Dist.
REP. HADDAD, 54th Dist.
REP. HAMPTON, 16th Dist.

REP. HEWETT, 39th Dist.
SEN. KENNEDY, 12th Dist.
REP. KINER, 59th Dist.
SEN. LARSON, 3rd Dist.
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REP. PERONE, 137th Dist.
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AN ACT CONCERNING SMOKING IN MOTOR VEHICLES.

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 section; (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 section shall be issued a warning;
15 and (5) prohibit a police officer from searching a motor vehicle, the
16 contents of a motor vehicle, the driver or a passenger in the vehicle
17 solely because the vehicle was stopped for a smoking violation.

Statement of Purpose:

To protect children from secondhand smoke.