



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5692**

LCO No. 1975



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:

REP. CANDELORA V., 86th Dist.  
REP. O'DEA, 125th Dist.  
REP. RUTIGLIANO, 123rd Dist.  
REP. ACKERT, 8th Dist.

REP. PERILLO J., 113th Dist.  
REP. ZUPKUS, 89th Dist.  
REP. ZAWISTOWSKI, 61st Dist.  
REP. CARNEY, 23rd Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONSUMPTION OF CANNABIS IN A  
MOTOR VEHICLE.**

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

1 That (1) section 54-33p of the general statutes be amended to allow a  
2 police officer to use the odor of cannabis or burnt cannabis as a basis to  
3 support any stop or search of a person or motor vehicle; (2) sections 53a-  
4 213a and 53a-213b of the general statutes be amended to allow a police  
5 officer to stop a motor vehicle if the driver or passenger is observed  
6 consuming cannabis; (3) the general statutes be amended to require the  
7 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection and state and  
8 local police departments to track data and statistics on cannabis-related  
9 driving under the influence accidents and stop incidents and store such  
10 data separately from alcohol-related incidents; and (4) the general  
11 statutes be amended to (A) establish a statutory blood THC level at  
12 which an individual may be charged with driving under the influence  
13 for cannabis consumption, and (B) require consent for blood testing for

- 14 suspected cannabis or other drug-related driving under the influence  
15 incidents as a condition for obtaining a motor vehicle operator's license.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To treat the use of cannabis in a motor vehicle in the same manner as the use of alcohol in a motor vehicle is treated.