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Public Act No. 18-3

AN ACT CONCERNING A MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT REPORT FOR AN ACCIDENT IN WHICH A PERSON WAS KILLED.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 14-108a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2018*):

(a) (1) The Commissioner of Transportation shall prescribe for the Division of State Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection and for each police department and officer and other suitable agencies or individuals a uniform investigation of accident report, in such form as the commissioner shall prescribe, which form shall be followed in filing all such reports.

(2) In each motor vehicle accident in which any person is killed or injured or in which damage to the property of any one individual, including the operator, in excess of one thousand dollars is sustained, the police officer, agency or individual who, in the regular course of duty, investigates such accident, either at the time of or at the scene of the accident or thereafter, by interviewing the participants or witnesses, shall, [within] not later than five days after completing such investigation, complete and forward one copy of such report to the

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Commissioner of Transportation. Such report shall [call for and] contain all available [detailed] information relating to [disclose] the location and cause of the accident, the conditions then existing, the persons and vehicles involved and the names of the insurance companies issuing their automobile liability policies, as well as the enforcement action taken, if any, and, in the case of a motor vehicle accident in which any person is killed, such report shall, if possible and practicable, reach a conclusion as to the cause of the accident. If such a conclusion cannot be reached, the investigating officer, agency or individual shall refer the case to the state's attorney for the judicial district in which the accident occurred, who may refer the case to the Division of State Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for review and further investigation. The Commissioner of Transportation shall forward to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles one copy of each report of any accident involving a school bus. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may inquire into or investigate any accident reported pursuant to this subsection and may request the assistance of the Division of State Police within the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for such purposes.

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