

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Proposed Bill No. 6504



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: REP. O'DEA, 125th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING EVIDENCE OF CONTRIBUTORY NEGLIGENCE IN PERSONAL INJURY ACTIONS.

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

1 That (1) section 14-100 of the general statutes be amended to provide 2 that any person's failure to wear a seat safety belt shall be admissible in 3 court as evidence of contributory negligence in a personal injury action; 4 (2) section 14-286d of the general statutes be amended to provide that 5 any bicyclist's failure to wear protective headgear shall be admissible in 6 court as evidence of contributory negligence in a personal injury action; 7 and (3) the general statutes be amended to provide that any 8 motorcyclist's failure to wear a protective helmet shall be admissible in 9 court as evidence of contributory negligence in a personal injury action.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide that the failure to utilize a seat safety belt, protective headgear or a protective helmet shall be admissible in court as evidence of contributory negligence in a personal injury action.