

General Assembly

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LCO No. 5404



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: (JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING FAILURE TO MOVE OVER FOR AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE RESULTING IN THE DEATH OF THE OPERATOR OR OTHER OCCUPANT OF THE EMERGENCY VEHICLE.

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

- Section 1. Section 53a-55 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):
- 3 (a) A person is guilty of manslaughter in the first degree when: (1)
- 4 With intent to cause serious physical injury to another person, he causes
- 5 the death of such person or of a third person; or (2) with intent to cause
- 6 the death of another person, he causes the death of such person or of a
- 7 third person under circumstances which do not constitute murder
- 8 because he committed the proscribed act or acts under the influence of
- 9 extreme emotional disturbance, as provided in subsection (a) of section
- 10 53a-54a, except that the fact that homicide was committed under the
- 11 influence of extreme emotional disturbance constitutes a mitigating
- 12 circumstance reducing murder to manslaughter in the first degree and
- 13 need not be proved in any prosecution initiated under this subsection;
- 14 or (3) under circumstances evincing an extreme indifference to human

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- 15 life, he recklessly engages in conduct which creates a grave risk of death
- 16 to another person, and thereby causes the death of another person. For
- purposes of this subdivision, a violation of section 14-283b that results
- in the death of the operator or any occupant of an emergency vehicle
- 19 constitutes circumstances evincing an extreme indifference to human
- 20 <u>life.</u>
- 21 (b) Manslaughter in the first degree is a class B felony.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			,
sections:			
Section 1	October 1, 2025	53a-55	

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