



General Assembly

January Session, 2025

**Substitute Bill No. 1493**



**AN ACT CONCERNING THE UNIFORM INVESTIGATION OF  
ACCIDENT REPORT AND CERTAIN REPORTS BY PEACE OFFICERS.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section, "Model  
2 Minimum Uniform Crash Criteria" means a voluntary guideline  
3 developed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that  
4 represents a minimum, standardized set of data variables to describe  
5 motor vehicle accidents.

6 (b) The Commissioner of Transportation shall conduct a study of any  
7 changes necessary to conform to the uniform investigation of accident  
8 report prescribed by the commissioner pursuant to section 14-108a of  
9 the general statutes to the Model Minimum Uniform Crash Criteria. Not  
10 later than July 1, 2026, the commissioner shall submit a report, in  
11 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,  
12 on the results of the study and any recommendations for legislation as  
13 a result of such study to the joint standing committees of the General  
14 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to transportation and  
15 public safety and security.

16 Sec. 2. Section 7-294pp of the general statutes is repealed and the  
17 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2025*):

18 (a) As used in this section:

19       (1) "Emergency medical condition" means a medical condition,  
20       whether physical, behavioral or related to a substance use disorder or  
21       mental health disorder, that manifests itself by symptoms of sufficient  
22       severity, including severe pain, that in the absence of prompt medical  
23       attention could reasonably be expected by a prudent layperson who  
24       possesses an average knowledge of health and medicine to result in  
25       placing the health of the person in serious jeopardy, serious impairment  
26       to body function or serious dysfunction of any body organ or part;

27       (2) "Medically unstable" means any condition, whether physical,  
28       behavioral or related to a substance use disorder or mental health  
29       disorder, that manifests in an unstable medical or mental health status,  
30       which could reasonably be understood by a prudent layperson who  
31       possesses an average knowledge of health and medicine to lead to an  
32       emergency medical condition; and

33       (3) "Peace officer" has the same meaning as provided in section 53a-  
34       3.

35       (b) Any person who experiences an emergency medical condition or  
36       is medically unstable while in direct audio or visual contact with, or  
37       under the custody or control of, a peace officer shall have the right to be  
38       provided with emergency medical services.

39       (c) Except as provided in subsection (d) of this section, a peace officer  
40       shall immediately request emergency medical services for any person  
41       who is under such officer's custody or control or otherwise in direct  
42       audio or visual contact with the peace officer when such person: (1) Has  
43       communicated to the peace officer that the person is (A) experiencing  
44       an emergency medical condition, or (B) medically unstable, or (2) has  
45       been observed by the peace officer to be (A) experiencing an emergency  
46       medical condition, or (B) medically unstable.

47       (d) A peace officer shall not be required to request emergency  
48       medical services when such officer (1) has made a reasonable  
49       determination that the person is not (A) experiencing an emergency  
50       medical condition, or (B) medically unstable, and (2) knows that such

51 person has been seen by a medical professional within the previous  
52 twenty-four hours and was released from such medical professional's  
53 care after a determination that such person was not (A) experiencing an  
54 emergency medical condition, or (B) medically unstable.

55 (e) For any matter in which a person experiences an emergency  
56 medical condition or is medically unstable while in direct audio or  
57 visual contact with, or under the custody or control of, a peace officer,  
58 the peace officer shall prepare a report describing the matter. Upon  
59 request by such person, the peace officer shall provide such person with  
60 a copy of the report.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2025</i>	7-294pp

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

In Section 1(a), "which may be used to identify traffic safety problems and design countermeasures to improve traffic safety nationally and in each state" was deleted as unnecessary.

**PS**            *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*