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Introduced by M. of A. O'MARA -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to enacting "Steven's Law" to require the reporting of personal injury motor vehicle accidents by passengers

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Steven's Law".

S 2. Section 600 of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3 to read as follows:

3. REPORT BY PASSENGER. ANY PASSENGER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE, KNOWING OR HAVING CAUSE TO KNOW THAT PERSONAL INJURY HAS BEEN CAUSED TO ANOTHER PERSON DUE TO AN INCIDENT INVOLVING THE MOTOR VEHICLE OF WHICH THEY ARE A PASSENGER, AND WHERE THE OPERATOR OF SUCH VEHICLE HAS NOT STOPPED AND PROVIDED INFORMATION TO THE INJURED PARTY AND/OR TO A POLICE OFFICER, SHALL REPORT SUCH INCIDENT AS SOON AS PHYSICALLY ABLE TO THE NEAREST POLICE STATION OR JUDICIAL OFFICER. A VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL CONSTITUTE A CLASS B MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN TWO HUNDRED FIFTY NOR MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PENALTIES PROVIDED BY LAW.

S 3. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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