AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - APPLICABILITY OF TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

Introduced By: Representatives Price, Chippendale, Quattrocchi, Corvese, and O’Brien

Date Introduced: March 01, 2017

Referred To: House Judiciary

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 31-12 of the General Laws entitled "Applicability of Traffic Regulations" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

31-12-16. Injuries to persons blocking traffic.

A person driving an automobile who is exercising due care and injures another person who is participating in a protest or demonstration and is blocking traffic in a public right-of-way is immune from civil liability for such injury, but shall not be immune from civil liability if the actions of the driver leading to the injury were willful or wanton.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.
This act would provide that a person driving an automobile who is exercising due care
and injures another person who is participating in a protest or demonstration and is blocking
traffic in a public right-of-way shall be immune from civil liability for such injury.

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