

SENATE No. 994

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mark C. Montigny

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act to update the definition of leaving the scene of an accident aka Katie Brienzo's Law.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Mark C. Montigny

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Bristol and Plymouth

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By Mr. Montigny, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 994) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to update the definition of leaving the scene of an accident aka Katie's Law. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 914 OF 2017-2018.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act to update the definition of leaving the scene of an accident aka Katie Brienzo's Law.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. This bill may be known as an Act to update the definition leaving the scene
2 of an accident a/k/a Katie’s Law.

3 SECTION 2. Section 24 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016
4 edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the second occurrence of the word “person”, in line
5 824, the following words:- “ or fails to make a reasonable investigation, including but not limited
6 to, safely stopping to determine if a collision has occurred, shall create a rebuttable presumption
7 that the defendant knowingly left the scene after collision”.

8 SECTION 3. Section 24 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
9 amended by inserting after the word “person”, in line 835, the following words:- “or fails to

10 make a reasonable investigation, including but not limited to, safely stopping to determine if a
11 collision has occurred, shall create a rebuttable presumption that the defendant knowingly left the
12 scene after collision”.