

**SENATE . . . . . No. 994**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Mark C. Montigny***

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*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.

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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.

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

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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