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2 Introduced by Senator Sears of Bennington District

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Motor vehicles; law enforcement officers; firefighters; emergency

6 medical personnel; accident reports; driving record; negligence

7 Statement of purpose: This bill proposes to provide that an accident involving

8 an on-duty law enforcement officer, firefighter, or emergency medical

9 personnel not appear on an accident report, nor on the driving record of the

10 on-duty worker unless there is a conviction for negligent or gross negligent

11 operation.

12 AN ACT RELATING TO ACCIDENTS INVOLVING AN ON-DUTY
13 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, FIREFIGHTER, OR EMERGENCY
14 MEDICAL PERSONNEL

15 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

16 Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 1129(a) is amended to read:

17 (a) The operator of a motor vehicle involved in an accident whereby a
18 person is injured or whereby there is total damage to all property to the extent
19 of \$1,000.00 or more shall make a written report concerning the accident to the
20 commissioner of motor vehicles on forms furnished by the commissioner. The
21 written report shall be mailed to the commissioner within 72 hours after the

1 accident. The commissioner may require further facts concerning the accident
2 to be provided upon forms furnished by him or her. Absent a conviction for
3 negligent or gross negligent operation, the provisions of this section shall not
4 apply to an on-duty law enforcement officer, firefighter, or emergency medical
5 personnel.