

CHAPTER 243  
SB 211 – FINAL VERSION

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SENATE BILL        **211**

AN ACT            relative to reporting requirements in fatal motor vehicle accident reports.

SPONSORS:        Sen. Rausch, Dist 19

COMMITTEE:      Transportation

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ANALYSIS

This bill requires the investigating officer to provide certain information regarding a fatal accident to the department of safety within 7 days.

This bill is a request of the department of safety.

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Explanation:      Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
                         Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through~~].  
                         Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen*

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*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1           243:1 Uniform Police Investigation Report of Accident; Fatal Accident Reporting Requirements.

2 Amend RSA 264:26, II to read as follows:

3           II. In each reportable accident in which any person is killed or injured or in which damage to  
4 the property of any one individual, including the driver, is sustained, the police officer, agency or  
5 individual who, in the regular course of duty, investigates such accident, either at the time of or at  
6 the scene of the accident or thereafter, by interviewing the participants or witnesses, shall, within 5  
7 days after completing such investigation, complete and forward one copy of such report to the  
8 division. Such report shall call for and contain all available detailed information to disclose the  
9 cause of the accident, the conditions then existing and the persons and vehicles involved including  
10 the names and addresses of all occupants of the vehicles involved, as well as the enforcement action  
11 taken. ***In each reportable accident in which a person is killed, the police officer, agency, or  
12 individual who, in the regular course of duty, investigates the accident shall provide  
13 written notice to the department of safety within 7 days of the accident. The notice shall  
14 include the information contained on the front page of the uniform police accident report  
15 and may be submitted electronically or by fax. This requirement shall not relieve the  
16 investigating agency or officer from the responsibility in RSA 265:25 of filing the complete  
17 report as soon as it is available.***

18           243:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

19 Approved: July 21, 2014

20 Effective Date: September 19, 2014