# SB 297 - AS INTRODUCED

# 2014 SESSION

14-2831 04/01

SENATE BILL 297

AN ACT relative to apportionment of damages.

SPONSORS: Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. Boutin, Dist 16; Rep. Goley, Hills 8; Rep. G. Hopper,

 $Hills\ 2$ 

COMMITTEE: Judiciary

# **ANALYSIS**

This bill provides that damages in a civil action shall be based on the proportionate fault of the parties who are not immune from liability.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in **bold italics**.

Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen

AN ACT relative to apportionment of damages.

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

1 Apportionment of Damages. Amend RSA 507:7-e, I(a) to read as follows:
2 (a) Instruct the jury to determine, or if there is no jury shall find, the amount of damages
3 to be awarded to each claimant and against each defendant in accordance with the proportionate
4 fault of each of the parties who is not immune from liability; and
5 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.