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## SENATE BILL No. 6

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### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 35-43-1-5.

**Synopsis:** Air bag tampering. Makes it a Class A misdemeanor to install in a motor vehicle, as part of the motor vehicle's inflatable restraint system, a defective air bag or another object that does not comply with federal safety regulations for the make, model, and year of the motor vehicle. Makes the offense a Class C felony if an injury occurs as a result of the air bag tampering.

**Effective:** July 1, 2003.

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January 7, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 35-43-1-5, IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2003]: **Sec. 5. (a) As used in this section, "defective air bag"**  
4 **means an air bag that does not comply with federal safety**  
5 **regulations for the particular make, model, and year of the motor**  
6 **vehicle in which the air bag is installed.**  
7 **(b) A person who knowingly or intentionally installs in a motor**  
8 **vehicle, as part of the motor vehicle's inflatable restraint system,**  
9 **in the place in which the original air bag of the motor vehicle was**  
10 **installed:**  
11 **(1) a defective air bag; or**  
12 **(2) any object other than an air bag that complies with federal**  
13 **safety regulations for the make, model, and year of the motor**  
14 **vehicle;**  
15 **commits air bag tampering, a Class A misdemeanor. However, the**  
16 **offense is a Class C felony if a person in a motor vehicle is injured**  
17 **as a result of the air bag tampering.**

