



January 31, 2003

SENATE BILL No. 6

DIGEST OF SB 6 (Updated January 28, 2003 1:20 PM - DI 110)

Citations Affected: IC 35-43.

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.
January 30, 2003, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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First Regular Session 113th General Assembly (2003)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2002 Regular or Special Session of the General Assembly.

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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**

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Affairs, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 6, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is made to Senate Bill 6 as introduced.)

SERVER, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 10, Nays 0.

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