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**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-6540 OF THE 1976 CODE TO PROVIDE THAT FAILURE TO WEAR A SEATBELT IS ADMISSIBLE AS EVIDENCE OF FAILURE TO MITIGATE DAMAGES IN A CIVIL ACTION.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 56‑5‑6540(C) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(C) A violation of this article is not negligence per se or contributory negligence, ~~and is not~~ but is admissible as evidence of failure to mitigate damages in a civil action.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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