



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Senator Farley Reports Senate Passes Teresita's Law

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State Senator Hugh T. Farley (R - Schenectady) reported the New York State Senate recently passed legislation known as Teresita's Law, which makes it a felony if an unlicensed driver causes death to another person. The bill (S.1888) recognizes that the unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, that ends in death, should be treated as a serious crime.

Currently, unlicensed operation that ends in the death of a person is only a felony if someone has 10 or more suspensions or if a license has been permanently revoked. This bill would make it a felony when a person drives with even one suspension and causes a death.

The bill was sent to the Assembly.