

General Assembly

Proposed Bill No. 6323

January Session, 2019



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by: REP. PETIT, 22nd Dist.

## AN ACT CONCERNING BIFURCATED TRIALS FOR NEGLIGENCE ACTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 52-205 of the general statutes be amended to provide
- 2 that: (1) There shall be a rebuttable presumption that a court may order
- 3 that any negligence action that is to be tried to a jury may be
- 4 bifurcated; (2) during the first phase of such trial the jury shall make a
- 5 determination on the issue of negligence; and (3) the second phase of
- 6 such trial shall address the issue of damages.

## Statement of Purpose:

To establish a bifurcated trial system for negligence actions.

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