



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 518**

LCO No. 531



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Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:  
SEN. SAMPSON, 16th Dist.

**AN ACT CREATING A STAND-YOUR-GROUND LAW.**

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

- 1 That title 53a of the general statutes be amended to adopt a stand-
- 2 your-ground policy to allow someone to use force in self-defense when
- 3 there is reasonable belief of a threat, without an obligation to retreat
- 4 first, but would require the person standing their ground to (1) have a
- 5 legal right to be at the location, and (2) not be engaged in an unlawful
- 6 activity.

**Statement of Purpose:**

To allow stand-your-ground self-defense.