## Jackie Lunn

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Jackie Lunn HB 2771

Representative Pat Colloton,

We have been informed that Bill HB 2771 (relating to appeals; trials; violations of traffic on highways) is now in committee. We have an interest in the bill due to the traffic death of our daughter, Victoria R. Dowell. The

accident occurred March 27th, 2008 with the death of four highschool girls. The driver was found Guilty of Failure to Yield to Oncoming Traffic and 4 counts of Vehicular Manslaughter by District Magistrate Judge Margaret

Alford. The driver appealed this conviction and District Judge Clint Peterson charged her for "Failure to Yield to Oncoming Traffic". The driver had to pay a \$60 fine and her drivers license was suspended for 1 year. We

believe if a "death" occurs during a Failure to Yield Violation a <u>substantial</u> fine should be imposed in order to reflect the "severity" of the violation. Also, a Victims Impact Statement should be allowed prior to sentencing. Victim

or Victim's Families must have equal rights as a defendant.

We hope this bill can assist other families in a tragedy and we welcome your consideration for this bill. Thank you for your time.

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