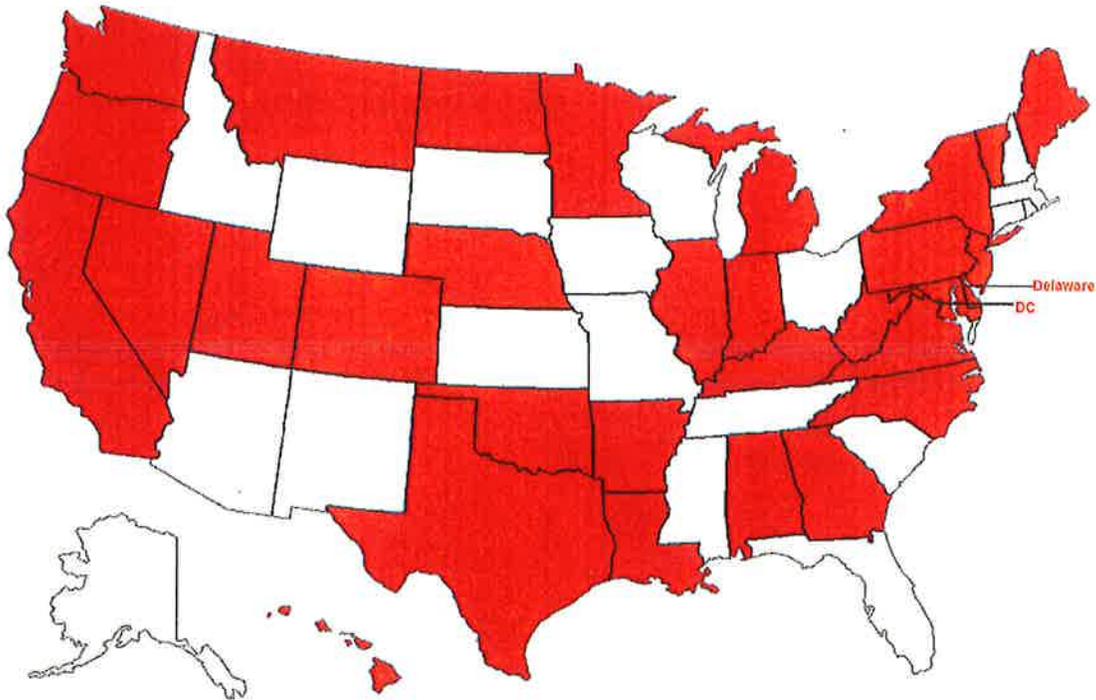


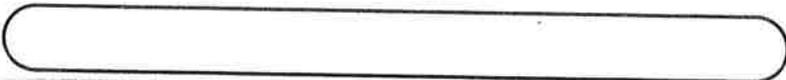


## The Medical Amnesty Law

Medical Amnesty legislation, or 911 Good Samaritan, 911 Lifeline, and Alcohol Amnesty as it is sometimes referred to, has been passed in 31 states and Washington, D.C. Although the wording and specific requirements of each state's bill differs slightly, the intent is to grant limited immunity from a state's Minor in Possession of alcohol (MIP) charge in certain circumstances where they make contact with officials during an emergency. Each shaded state below has passed a type of Medical Amnesty law. Click on a shaded state to read more about each law.



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**Alcohol related unintentional incidents are a leading cause of death among young people in the United States.**



**A Cornell University study concluded that while 19% of college students reported that help probably should have been called for a highly intoxicated individual they were with, only 4% actually made the call. 68% of teens report that they fear getting in trouble and being cited by law enforcement when they drink.**



**In a one year period following the implementation of one Medical Amnesty policy, the number of alcohol-related EMS calls increased by almost 700%. Studies also show that while 911 calls increased and fear of judicialrepercussion decreased, drinking levels stayed the same or dropped suggesting that the presence of the policy has not encouraged drinking.**