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**Connecticut Man Charged with DUI,
Child Abuse For Crash With Train**

A father has been charged with driving under the influence with his two 16-year-old sons aboard and getting into a crash with a Metro train in Santa Monica, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Anthony Manual Beltran Sr. (dob 8/10/63) of Connecticut faces two felony counts of child abuse and one felony count each of driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage causing injury and driving with a .08 percent or more blood alcohol content causing injury.

Case SA097866 also charges Beltran with two misdemeanor counts of giving an alcoholic beverage to a person under 21 years of age and includes allegations of causing great bodily injury and having a blood alcohol content of .20 percent or more.

The defendant pleaded not guilty to the charges yesterday and is due back on May 16 in Department W31 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Airport Branch.

On April 18, Beltran allegedly drove with his two sons through a red light near Lincoln Boulevard and Colorado Avenue and his vehicle was struck by the train, prosecutors said. The defendant and the boys were all injured in the crash, prosecutors added.

Bail is set at \$410,000. If convicted as charged, Beltran faces a possible maximum sentence of 30 years in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Santa Monica Police Department.

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