

1 ENERGY ABSORBING DEVICE FOR BALLISTIC BODY ARMOR

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A ballistic vest having a front panel and a rear panel
attached to each other by releasable connectors. The front and
rear panel each have a ballistic package having a plurality of
sheets of ballistic material and a semi-rigid frame structure
attached to the layers of the ballistic material. The frame
10 structure has a plurality of members defining openings in the
frame structure wherein the frame structure absorbs energy from
a projectile entering the sheets of ballistic material.

Figure 1