

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS26786

This purpose of this legislation is to treat the use of certain wireless devices behind-the-wheel as an infraction. The bill addresses safety concerns associated with a significant portion of distracted driving crashes. The legislation defines enforcement and retains conditions under which such communications would be allowed. This legislation also addresses the problem of having a growing patchwork of local ordinances.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation has no impact on the General Fund except for the cost of enforcement by state police, which may be offset by fine revenue. There will be a small cost to local law enforcement and the courts as potential violations of the new law are enforced.

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