
DIGEST

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HB No. 146

Abstract: Prohibits the use of wireless telephone or electronic communication devices by operators of moving motor vehicles except when the device is a hands-free wireless telephone or the electronic communication device is used hands-free or for an emergency and provides for penalties.

Proposed law prohibits the use of wireless telephone or electronic communication devices by operators of moving motor vehicles except when the device is a hands-free wireless telephone, or the electronic communication device is used hands-free or for an emergency.

Proposed law defines the terms "electronic communication device", "hands-free wireless telephone", "use", and "wireless telephone".

Proposed law provides that the offense shall be secondary.

Proposed law provides that the penalty for a violation of proposed law shall be not less than \$100 for the first violation, not more than \$150 for a second violation, not more than \$200 for a third violation, and not more than \$250 for a fourth or subsequent violation.

Effective Jan. 1, 2010.

(Adds R.S. 32:300.8)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill.

1. Makes changes to the definitions of "electronic communication device" and "wireless telephone."

House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Provides that the offense shall be secondary.
2. Excludes "two-way mobile radio transmitters or receivers used by licensees of the Federal Communications Commission in the Amateur Radio Service" from the definition of "electronic communication device."