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## DIGEST

Present law prohibits any person from operating a motor vehicle upon any public road or highway of this state while using a wireless telecommunications device to write, send, or read a text-based communication.

Proposed law retains present law and further prohibits any person from operating a motor vehicle upon any public road or highway of this state while using a wireless telecommunications device to access, read, or post to a social networking site.

Proposed law defines the "access, read, or post to a social networking site" as using a wireless telecommunications device to view any web-based service that allows individuals to construct a profile within a bounded system, articulate a list of other users with whom they share a connection, and communicate with other members of the site.

Present law provides that any violation of present law shall constitute a moving violation.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that using a wireless telecommunications device to access, read, or post to a social networking site shall constitute a moving violation.

Effective August 1, 2013.

(Amends R.S. 32:300.5(A))