



**ARIZONA STATE SENATE**  
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FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1393

texting while driving; mass transit

Purpose

Establishes a prohibition of use of wireless communication devices while operating mass transit.

Background

The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) states that 10 states and the District of Columbia have banned hand-held cellular devices while driving for all drivers. The NCSL also states that school bus drivers in 19 states and the District of Columbia, and teenagers in 32 states and the District of Columbia are prohibited from using a cell phone in any form. 39 states and the District prohibit texting while driving.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

- 1) Prohibits a person operating mass transit from using a wireless communication device to make or receive a call, or to write, send or read a text message.
- 2) Becomes effective on the general effective date.

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