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Amendment

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 477

File No. 234

Cal. No. 204

"AN ACT CONCERNING INSURANCE SETTLEMENTS FOR TOTAL LOSS VEHICLES."

1 In line 1, before "Section", insert "Section 1."

2 After line 23, add the following:

3 "Sec. 2. (NEW) (a) "Driving while distracted" means the operation of
4 a motor vehicle while engaged in a distractive activity which results in
5 a moving violation or other motor vehicle traffic violation. For the
6 purposes of this section, "distractive activity" means an activity not
7 directly related to the operation of the motor vehicle, and which may
8 include, but is not limited to: Reading; writing; consuming food and
9 beverages; changing of garments; the use of mobile telephones, audio
10 or video devices, pagers, or any other electronic device; and personal
11 grooming.

12 (b) Driving while distracted, as defined in subsection (a) of this
13 section, shall constitute an infraction and be punishable by a fine not to

14 exceed seventy-five dollars for each violation. Each such violation shall
15 constitute a separate and distinct offense.

16 (c) No person shall be deemed to have committed the infraction of
17 driving while distracted unless the person has engaged in a distractive
18 activity in a manner that causes or contributes to a concurrent and
19 separate moving violation."