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To: Subst. House Bill No. 5371

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE WHILE
UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR."**

1 After line 810, insert section 11 as follows:

2 "Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2002*) (a) (1) For purposes of this
3 section, a "hands-free mobile telephone" means a telephone with
4 speakerphone capability or an attachment, add-on or addition to a
5 mobile telephone or other piece of equipment, whether or not
6 permanently installed in the motor vehicle, that when used allows the
7 operator of a motor vehicle to maintain both hands on the steering
8 device.

9 (2) "Mobile telephone" includes, but is not limited to, cellular,
10 analog, wireless and digital telephones capable of sending or receiving
11 telephone communications without an access line for service.

12 (b) On and after January 1, 2003, no person shall use a mobile
13 telephone while a motor vehicle is in motion on a public highway or
14 private road unless such person is using a mobile telephone equipped
15 with a hands-free device or such person is: (1) An operator who is
16 alone and reasonably fears for his or her safety or reasonably believes
17 that a criminal act may be perpetrated against him or her; (2) an
18 operator who is using such telephone to contact an emergency 911
19 system to report what such operator reasonably believes is an
20 emergency or the commission of a crime or motor vehicle violation; (3)
21 an operator of a school bus with passengers who uses such telephone
22 to call for assistance when the school bus experiences a mechanical
23 breakdown or an emergency arises that endangers the operator or the
24 passengers; or (4) a police officer, peace officer or firefighter or an

25 operator of an ambulance, authorized emergency vehicle, as defined in
26 subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 14-1 of the general statutes,
27 bus, school bus without passengers, taxi cab or tow truck who uses
28 such telephone while acting in the performance of his or her duties and
29 within the scope of his or her employment.

30 (c) Nothing contained in this section shall prevent any passenger of
31 a motor vehicle, other than the operator, from using a mobile
32 telephone while the motor vehicle is in motion.

33 (d) Any violation of this section shall constitute an infraction and be
34 punishable by a fine not to exceed seventy-five dollars for each
35 violation. Each such violation shall constitute a separate and distinct
36 violation."