



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5282

LCO No. 53



Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by:
REP. BETTS, 78th Dist.

**AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR DISTRACTED DRIVING
WHEN VIOLATION RESULTS IN A MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That subsection (h) of section 14-296aa of the general statutes,
- 2 concerning the prohibition of the use of hand-held mobile telephones
- 3 and electronic devices by motor vehicle operators, be amended to
- 4 increase the penalties when the violation results in a motor vehicle
- 5 accident.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the penalties for texting and using a hand-held mobile telephone while driving when the violation results in a motor vehicle accident.