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History and Final Disposition

LD 145 / HP0091

An Act to Increase the Penalties for Operation of a Motor Vehicle While Using a Handheld Electronic Device or Mobile Telephone. Presented by Representative ZEIGLER of Montville. Referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation. Public Hearing 03/01/23. Final Disposition: Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310 04/18/23.

Original Bill

[LD 145 \(131st Legis. 2023\)](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Transportation

- (Master file available on request—please include citation: cf131-LD-0145.pdf)

[Public Hearing \(Audio File\) \(TRA\) \(03/01/2023\)](#)

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Floor Proceedings and Debate

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News Articles

Distracted driving may see a big fee hike- Legislature considering raising fines up to \$500 for first offense (Steve Collins) (Sun Journal (Lewiston), 2/27/2023, p. A1, A3) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD01xx/nc131-LD-0145/Sun Journal 230225A.pdf)

Higher fines for hands-free driving law attract fans, key detractors (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 3/2/2023, p. A1, A6) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD01xx/nc131-LD-0145/PPH 230302A.pdf)

Lawmakers reject higher fines for using cellphones while driving (Randy Billings) (Portland Press Herald, 3/23/2023, p. A1, A5) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 131/LD01xx/nc131-LD-0145/PPH 230323C.pdf)

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