

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2013 Senate Bill 479		Senate Amendment 1
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2013 Senate Bill 479 prohibits a person from driving a motor vehicle while using a cellular or other wireless telephone in a construction zone unless the person uses the telephone without the use of his or her hands. Under the bill, a first time offense may result in a forfeiture of not less than \$20, nor more than \$40, while a second or subsequent offense within one year may result in a forfeiture of not less than \$50, nor more than \$100.

Senate Amendment 1 provides an exception to the prohibition provided in the bill for using a cellular or other wireless telephone in a construction zone to report an emergency.

Bill History

Senate Amendment 1 was offered by Senator Petrowski on January 14, 2014. On January 15, 2014, the Senate Committee on Transportation, Public Safety, and Veterans and Military Affairs voted to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 and passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

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