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TO: Honorable Mike Krusee, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB201 by Menendez (Relating to an offense of using a wireless communication device while operating a motor vehicle.), **As Introduced**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to make it an offense to use a telephone while operating a motor vehicle unless the telephone is used with a hands-free device or the vehicle is stopped. The bill would exempt emergency calls and operators of emergency vehicles. The offense would be a misdemeanor with a minimum fine of \$25 and a maximum fine of \$200.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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