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SPONSOR STATEMENT SENATE BILL 123

Senate Bill 123 is enabling legislation that authorizes a municipality to adopt an ordinance prohibiting the use of cellular telephones while driving a vehicle within a school zone or on school property. Our current statutes require that traffic laws be uniform across the state unless a municipality demonstrates a special problem. SB 123 removes the burden of individual municipalities having to demonstrate or defend their position that using cell phones while driving in school zones or on school property is dangerous, and instead allows local control in making that determination.

I encourage your support on SB 123.