REFERENCE TITLE: distracted driving prohibition

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Introduced by
Representatives Farley, Tovar: Arredondo, Hobbs, Senators Melvin, Nelson

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 28-669, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 28, CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 15, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 28-913; RELATING TO DISTRACTED DRIVING.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 28-669, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

28-669. Accident report forms
A. The department shall prepare and on request supply to police departments, sheriffs and other suitable agencies forms for accident reports required under this article that are appropriate with respect to the persons required to make the reports and the purposes to be served. The written reports REQUIRED to be made by investigating officers shall call for sufficiently detailed information to disclose with reference to a traffic accident the cause, the conditions then existing, and the persons and vehicles involved AND WHETHER THE PERSONS INVOLVED WERE ENGAGED IN DISTRACTED DRIVING IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 28-913 AT THE TIME OF THE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT.
B. An accident report required to be made in writing shall be made on the appropriate form approved by the department and shall contain all of the information required in the form unless it is not available.
C. The department shall modify the written accident report form in conjunction with state and local law enforcement agencies, engineering agencies and emergency medical service organizations.

Sec. 2. Title 28, chapter 3, article 15, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 28-913, to read:

28-913. Distracted driving
A. A PERSON SHALL NOT OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE ON A HIGHWAY WHILE THE PERSON IS DISTRACTED IN ANY MANNER.
B. A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER MAY ISSUE A CITATION TO A PERSON FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION IF THE OFFICER BELIEVES THE DISTRACTED DRIVING IS HAZARDOUS TO PUBLIC SAFETY.