



State of Wisconsin
2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Mette, BB0097 - Increase minimum forfeiture for inattentive driving or texting

FOR 2017-2019 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; **relating to:** the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

TRANSPORTATION

DRIVERS AND MOTOR VEHICLES

Under current law, the penalty for generic inattentive driving or for composing or sending an electronic text or electronic mail message while driving is a forfeiture of not less than \$20 nor more than \$400. Under this bill, the penalty for both of these offenses is raised to not less than \$40 nor more than \$400.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 346.95 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

346.95 (1m) Any person violating s. 346.89 (1) or (3) (a) may be required to forfeit not less than \$40 nor more than \$400.

SECTION 2. 346.95 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

346.95 (2) Any person violating s. ~~346.89 (1) or (3) (a) or~~ 346.94 (2), (4), or (7) may be required to forfeit not less than \$20 nor more than \$400.

SECTION 9345. Initial applicability; Transportation.

(1) INATTENTIVE DRIVING PENALTIES. The treatment of section 346.95 (1m) and (2) of the statutes first applies to violations committed on the effective date of this subsection.

(END)