



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2013 Assembly Bill 639

Assembly Amendment 1

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2013 Assembly Bill 639 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.

Assembly Amendment 1 authorizes the use of a cellular or other wireless phone to report an emergency.

Assembly Amendment 2 deletes the provision allowing a person to use a telephone without his or her hands and instead allows the use of a voice-operated or hands-free device if the driver does not use his or her hands to operate the device, except to activate or deactivate a feature or function of the device.

Bill History

Representative Spiros offered Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Bill 639 January 22, 2014, and Assembly Amendment 2 on February 3, 2014. On February 4, 2014, the Assembly Committee on Transportation voted to recommend adoption of Assembly Amendments 1 and 2 by votes of Ayes, 12; Noes, 0; and passage of the bill, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 15; Noes, 0.

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