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Mobile Telephone Driving Safety Act of 2003

Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

Introduced: Jan 16, 2003

Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (text of measure as introd

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]

Party: Democratic • State: NJ • Chamber: Senate

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jan 16, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jan 16, 2003)

Mobile Telephone Driving Safety Act of 2003 - Amends Federal transportation law to direct the Secretary of Transportation to withhold five percent of specified FY 2005 highway funds from any State that has not enacted or is not enforcing a law that prohibits the use of a mobile telephone while operating a motor vehicle, except in case of an emergency or other exceptional circumstance. Increases the withheld amount to ten percent after FY 2005. Allows such a State law to permit the use of a mobile telephone with a device that permits hands-free operation of the telephone if the State determines that such use does not pose a threat to public safety.

Actions Timeline

- Jan 16, 2003: Introduced in Senate
- Jan 16, 2003: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S1072-1073)
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