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ALERT Drivers Act

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Sen. Warner, Mark R. [D-VA]	D · VA		Nov 19, 2009
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 5097	Related bill	Apr 22, 2010: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
111 HR 4153	Related bill	Nov 20, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
111 HR 3829	Related bill	Oct 16, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.
111 HR 3535	Related bill	Sep 9, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

Avoiding Life-Endangering and Reckless Texting by Drivers Act of 2009 or the ALERT Drivers Act - Requires the Secretary of Transportation to withhold 25% of a state's apportionment of certain federal-aid highway program funds for the fiscal year if the state has not enacted or is not enforcing a law that: (1) prohibits, except in an emergency, an operator of a motor vehicle from writing, sending, or reading a text message using a hand-held mobile telephone (excluding a voice-activated device); and (2) requires, upon conviction of a violation of such prohibition, the imposition of certain minimum penalties.

Actions Timeline

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