

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

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**Meeting Date:** 6/12/2001

**Reference No.:** CB-46-2001

**Proposer:** Gourdine

**Draft No.:** 1

**Sponsors:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Item Title:** An Act prohibiting the operator of a motor vehicle from using a wireless telecommunication device unless the vehicle is legally parked or equipped with a hands free mechanism

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**Drafter:** Ralph E. Grutzmacher  
Legislative Officer

**Resource** Marilyn Bland  
**Personnel:** Legislative Aide

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**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**Date Presented:** 6/12/2001

**Executive Action:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_ \_\_

**Committee Referral:** 6/12/2001 PSFM

**Effective Date:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Committee Action:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Introduced:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Public Hearing:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_ \_\_:\_\_ \_\_

**Council Action:** \_\_/\_\_/\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

**Council Votes:** RVR:\_\_, DB:\_\_, JE:\_\_, IG:\_\_, TH:\_\_, WM:\_\_, AS:\_\_, PS:\_\_, MW:\_\_

**Pass/Fail:** \_\_

**Remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT**

**(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)**

The proposed legislation will prohibit the use of certain two-way wireless communication devices, such as wireless telephones, computer modems, and other devices that under certain circumstances divert the operator's attention while driving. Several studies have documented the increased risk of vehicle crashes due to inattentive driving associated with wireless telephones and other two-way communication devices.

**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**