

## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2003 and 2004

Introduced 2/4/2004, by John J. Cullerton

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/12-610.1 new

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that a person who holds an instruction permit or a graduated license may not use a wireless phone while driving a vehicle. Provides that the prohibition does not apply to use of a wireless phone to contact a law enforcement agency, health care provider, or emergency services agency for emergency purposes. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning vehicles.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding
- 5 Section 12-610.1 as follows:
- 6 (625 ILCS 5/12-610.1 new)
- 7 Sec. 12-610.1. Wireless telephones.
- 8 (a) As used in this Section, "wireless telephone" means a
- 9 device that is capable of transmitting or receiving telephonic
- 10 communications without a wire connecting the device to the
- 11 <u>telephone network.</u>
- 12 (b) A person who holds an instruction permit issued under
- Section 6-105 or 6-107.1, or a person who holds a graduated
- 14 <u>license issued under Section 6-107, may not drive a vehicle</u>
- while using a wireless phone.
- (c) This Section does not apply to a person using a
- wireless telephone for emergency purposes, including, but not
- limited to, an emergency call to a law enforcement agency,
- 19 health care provider, fire department, or other emergency
- 20 services agency or entity.
- 21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 22 becoming law.