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HOUSE BILL ***424***

AN ACT establishing a commission to study ways to reduce texting while driving.

SPONSORS: Rep. Torosian, Rock. 14; Rep. Janigian, Rock. 8; Rep. Gould, Hills. 7

COMMITTEE: Transportation

ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a commission to study ways to reduce texting while driving.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty One

AN ACT establishing a commission to study ways to reduce texting while driving.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 110:1 New Subdivision; Commission to Study Ways to Reduce Texting While Driving. Amend
2 RSA 265 by inserting after section 161 the following new subdivision:

Commission to Study Ways to Reduce Texting While Driving

4 265:162 Commission to Study Ways to Reduce Texting While Driving.

5 I. There is established a commission to study ways to reduce texting while driving.

6 II. The members of the commission shall be as follows:

7 (a) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the
8 house of representatives.

9 (b) One member of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

10 (c) The commissioner to the department of transportation, or designee.

11 (d) The president of the Cellular Telecommunications and Internet Association, or
12 designee.

13 (e) The commissioner of the department of safety, or designee.

14 (f) One member of the public, appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

15 III. Legislative members of the commission shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when
16 attending to the duties of the commission.

17 IV. The commission shall study ways to reduce texting while driving.

18 V. The members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The
19 first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named house member. The first meeting
20 of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Five members of
21 the commission shall constitute a quorum.

22 VI. The commission shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
23 legislation to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house
24 clerk, the senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2021.

25 110:2 Repeal. RSA 265:162, relative to the commission to study ways to reduce texting while
26 driving, is repealed.

27 110:3 Effective Date.

28 I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect November 1, 2021.

 II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

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Approved: July 09, 2021

Effective Date:

I. Section 2 shall take effect November 1, 2021.

II. Remainder shall take effect July 9, 2021