

Amend **HB 62** (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Subchapter B, Chapter 542, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 542.2034 to read as follows:

Sec. 542.2034. LIMITATION ON LOCAL AUTHORITIES' REGULATION OF USE OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE. (a) In this section, "wireless communication device" has the meaning assigned by Section 545.425.

(b) Except as provided by Subsection (c), a local authority may not regulate or prohibit the use of a wireless communication device while operating a motor vehicle.

(c) A local authority may enforce the laws of this state relating to the use of a wireless communication device while operating a motor vehicle.

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 545.425(b-1), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b-1) A [~~Except as provided by Subsection (b-2), a~~ municipality, county, or other local authority [~~political subdivision~~] that enforces this section shall post a sign that complies with the standards described by this subsection at the entrance to each school crossing zone in the municipality, county, or other local authority [~~political subdivision~~]. The department shall adopt standards that:

(1) allow for a sign required to be posted under this subsection to be attached to an existing sign at a minimal cost; and

(2) require that a sign required to be posted under this subsection inform an operator that:

(A) the use of a wireless communication device is prohibited in the school crossing zone; and

(B) the operator is subject to a fine if the operator uses a wireless communication device in the school crossing zone.

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Sections 545.425(b-2), (b-3), (b-4), (d-1), and (f) and 545.4252(e), Transportation Code, are repealed.