

HOUSE BILL No. 2230

By Committee on Utilities

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AN ACT concerning certain motor vehicle accidents; classifying certain acts as misdemeanors and providing penalties therefor; concerning effect of evidence of conviction in civil actions.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) If a person causes a motor vehicle accident while using a cellular phone, mobile phone or other similar telecommunication or radio device and it is determined that the use of such device contributed to the cause of the accident, such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than \$1,000.

(b) A conviction under this section shall be considered negligence *per se* in any civil action.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.