

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 55th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB183
Version:	ENGR
Request Number:	
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Date:	3/16/2015
Impact:	Minimal - Positive

Research Analysis

SB 183 includes operating a commercial vehicle while using a hand-held mobile telephone as a “serious traffic offense” as used by the Department of Public Safety to disqualify a person from operating a commercial motor vehicle. The measure clarifies that it is not an offense if the person is communicating with law enforcement officials or other emergency services. The measure also increases the disqualification period for a first conviction for violating an out-of-service order from 90 days to 180 days. The disqualification period for a second conviction within 10 years of a previous conviction is increased from 1 year to 2 years.

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Fiscal Analysis

There could be a slight increase in revenues generated by fines and fees related to moving violations, however that amount would be contingent upon the amount of persons convicted and found guilty.

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Other Considerations

None.