

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 886

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARROW

TRAFFIC: Provides for penalties for texting while driving

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 32:300.5(C)(1), relative to the penalties for texting while driving
3 a motor vehicle; to increase the maximum fine for a first violation; and to provide
4 for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 32:300.5(C)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted as follows:

7 §300.5. Use of certain wireless telecommunications devices ~~for text messaging~~
8 prohibited

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10 C.(1) The first violation of the provisions of this Section shall be punishable
11 by a fine of not more than ~~one~~ three hundred ~~seventy-five~~ dollars.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Increases the maximum fine for a first violation of the texting while driving provision.

Present law provides that the first violation of the present law shall be punishable of a fine of not more than \$175.

Proposed law increases the maximum to \$300.

(Amends R.S. 32:300.5(C)(1))