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S 102. NO CELL PHONE USAGE BY UNDER 18 DRIVERS. *TO RESTRICT THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE BY DRIVERS UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE WHILE USING A MOBILE TELEPHONE*. Enacts new GS 20-140.6 to prohibit persons under 18 from operating a motor vehicle on a public highway while using a mobile telephone to engage in a call while the vehicle is in motion. Exceptions to the prohibition are calls to the following in an emergency situation: (1) emergency response operator; (2) hospital; (3) physician's office or health clinic; (4) ambulance company or corps; (5) fire department. Violation is an infraction punishable by a fine of not more than $100. Effective Dec. 1, 2005.

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