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SENATE BILL 12-092

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

Jahn, Cadman, Boyd, Hodge, Hudak, King S., Tochtrop

HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

(None),

Senate Committees
Transportation

House Committees

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE USE OF A VIDEO DISPLAY IN A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT
102 IS BEING OPERATED ON A ROADWAY.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.>)

Currently, it is illegal to have a screen that receives a television broadcast at any point forward of the driver's seat or visible to the driver. The bill allows the screen to be forward of the driver's seat so long as visual entertainment is not visible to the driver and clarifies that it is the display of video programming, not the reception of television, that

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
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triggers the prohibition.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-4-201, **amend** (3)
3 as follows:

4 **42-4-201. Obstruction of view or driving mechanism -**
5 **hazardous situation.** (3) ~~No~~ A person shall NOT drive any A motor
6 vehicle equipped with any television viewer, screen, or other means of
7 visually receiving a television broadcast which is located in the motor
8 vehicle at any point forward of the back of the driver's seat or which is
9 A VIDEO DISPLAY visible to the driver while ~~operating~~ the motor vehicle
10 ~~The provisions of~~ IS IN MOTION. This subsection (3) ~~shall not be~~
11 ~~interpreted to~~ DOES NOT prohibit the usage of any A computer, data
12 terminal, or other similar device in a motor vehicle SO LONG AS THE
13 COMPUTER, DATA TERMINAL, OR OTHER SIMILAR DEVICE IS NOT USED TO
14 DISPLAY VISUAL ENTERTAINMENT TO THE DRIVER WHILE THE MOTOR
15 VEHICLE IS IN MOTION.

16 **SECTION 2. Effective date - applicability.** This act takes effect
17 July 1, 2012, and applies to offenses committed on or after said date.

18 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
19 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
20 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.