

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 662 Session of
2005

INTRODUCED BY STOUT, MUSTO, COSTA, ERICKSON, TARTAGLIONE,
MELLOW, RAFFERTY, O'PAKE, KITCHEN, LOGAN, STACK AND KASUNIC,
APRIL 29, 2005

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, APRIL 29, 2005

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), entitled "An
2 act relating to the public school system, including certain
3 provisions applicable as well to private and parochial
4 schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the
5 laws relating thereto," prohibiting certain cellular
6 telephone use by school bus drivers.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. The act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known
10 as the Public School Code of 1949, is amended by adding a
11 section to read:

12 Section 1361.1. Use of Certain Telephones Prohibited.--(a)
13 The use of cellular telephones by school bus drivers while
14 operating a school bus is prohibited.

15 (b) The prohibition contained in subsection (a) shall not
16 apply when the school bus is parked in a safe area off of a
17 trafficway as defined in 75 Pa.C.S. § 102 (relating to
18 definitions) or in an emergency situation.

19 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.