Transportation Committee

HB 1103

Brief Description: Modifying the use of television viewers in motor vehicles.

Sponsors: Representatives Kristiansen, Morris and Armstrong.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Removes the requirement that equipment capable of receiving television broadcasts must be located behind the back of the drivers seat.
- Prohibits a person from driving a motor vehicle with equipment capable of receiving a television broadcast when moving images are visible to the driver.

Hearing Date: 1/20/11

Staff: Jerry Long (786-7306).

Background:

Under current law, the use of equipment that is capable of receiving a television broadcast in a motor vehicle cannot be located forward of the back of the driver's seat or which is visible to the driver while operating a motor vehicle.

Summary of Bill:

The bill removes the requirement that the equipment capable of receiving a television broadcast be located at any point behind the driver's seat. It requires that no person will drive a motor vehicle with equipment capable of receiving a television broadcast when the moving images are visible to the driver while the motor vehicle is in motion.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

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Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.