***The Missouri Senate Minute* Script  
Texting and Driving**

Missouri senators revisit texting and driving.

Senator Jason Bean of Holcomb sponsors [Senate Bills 56 & 61](https://www.senate.mo.gov/23info/bts_web/Bill.aspx?SessionType=R&BillID=44625).

He says this proposal would enact provisions relating to operating motor vehicles…

**Bean :10 Q: by distracted drivers.**

Senate Bills 56 & 61 would create the "Siddens Bening Hands-Free Law.”

During discussion, Sen. Tracy McCreery of St. Louis County points out there is currently a law — in place since 2009 — that bans *some* Missourians from texting and driving…

**McCreery :09 Q: text and drive.**

Another “yes” vote would send Senate Bills 56 & 61 to the Missouri House of Representatives for further consideration.

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