SENATE BILL 1854

By Massey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-1204, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (c):

All driver education courses shall include instruction on the dangers of using hand-held mobile telephones or hand-held personal digital assistants to transmit or read a written message. Students shall also be apprised that texting while driving is a crime under § 55-8-199 and apprised of the penalty for texting while driving.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.