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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Latvala) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete line 2507

and insert:

Section 65. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 318.1451, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

318.1451 Driver improvement schools.-

(2)(a) In determining whether to approve the courses referenced in this section, the department shall consider course content designed to promote safety, driver awareness, crash avoidance techniques, <u>awareness of the risks associated with</u> <u>using a handheld electronic communication device while operating</u> Florida Senate - 2011 Bill No. CS for SB 1150



13 a motor vehicle, and other factors or criteria to improve driver 14 performance from a safety viewpoint. 15 Section 66. Subsection (1) of section 322.095, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 16 17 322.095 Traffic law and substance abuse education program for driver's license applicants.-18 19 (1) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles 20 must approve traffic law and substance abuse education courses 21 that must be completed by applicants for a Florida driver's 22 license. The curricula for the courses must provide instruction 23 on the physiological and psychological consequences of the abuse 24 of alcohol and other drugs, the societal and economic costs of 25 alcohol and drug abuse, the effects of alcohol and drug abuse on the driver of a motor vehicle, the risks associated with using a 26 handheld electronic communication device while operating a motor 27 28 vehicle, and the laws of this state relating to the operation of 29 a motor vehicle. All instructors teaching the courses shall be 30 certified by the department. Section 67. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this 31 32 act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2011. 33 34 35 36 And the title is amended as follows: 37 Delete lines 229 - 230 38 and insert: 39 conforming a cross-reference; amending ss. 318.1451 and 322.095, F.S.; requiring the curricula of driver 40 improvement schools and education programs for 41

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42 driver's license applicants to include instruction on 43 the risks associated with using a handheld electronic 44 communication device while operating a motor vehicle; 45 providing effective dates.