

ORDINANCE NO.: 2014-098

Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 12, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article I, In General to repeal Sec. 12-9 E-mailing or text messaging on mobile device while operating a motor vehicle

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WHEREAS, Act No. 260, effective June 26, 2014 amended Article 31, Chapter 5, Title 56 of the 1976 Code to add §56-5-3890 and implemented a statewide texting ban which only allows texting while a driver is legally stopped or using a hands-free device; specifically permits using GPS navigation; places no restrictions on talking on a cellular phone; preempts local ordinances; and brings uniformity to the law on this issue; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council this 21st day of October, 2014, that to be in compliance with §56-5-3890 of the S.C. Code of Laws, the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 12, Motor Vehicles and Traffic, Article I, In General is amended to repeal Sec. 12-19, E-mailing or text messaging on mobile device while operating a motor vehicle is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Requested by:

Mayor Benjamin



Mayor

Approved by:



City Manager

Approved as to form:



City Attorney

ATTEST:



City Clerk

Introduced: 10/7/2014

Final Reading: 10/21/2014