

1 HOUSE BILL 223

2 **53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR A PERSON
12 WHO COMMITS CARELESS DRIVING.

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14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

15 SECTION 1. Section 66-8-114 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1969,
16 Chapter 169, Section 12) is amended to read:

17 "66-8-114. CARELESS DRIVING.--

18 A. ~~[Any]~~ A person operating a vehicle on the
19 highway shall give ~~[his]~~ the person's full time and entire
20 attention to the operation of the vehicle.

21 B. ~~[Any person who operates]~~ Careless driving
22 consists of operating a vehicle in a careless, inattentive or
23 imprudent manner without due regard for the width, grade,
24 curves, corners, traffic, weather and road conditions and all
25 other attendant circumstances. Whoever commits careless

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1 driving is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be sentenced in
2 accordance with Section 31-19-1 NMSA 1978."

3 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
4 provisions of this act is July 1, 2017.