CHANGING MINDS AND SAVING LIVES

RESULTS:

- Georgia saw a 12% decrease in all fatal crashes after passing their law. The decrease was 48% for distracted driving crashes.
- In 8 states that introduced hands-free laws since 2018, they saw an average 13% reduction in phone motion within 3 months of the law going into effect. Preventing up to 38,000 crashes, saving 100 lives, and saving \$930 million in associated crash costs.
- Indiana saw the lowest number of distracted driving crashes in over a decade after passing their law in 2020.
- 11% fewer motorcyclist fatalities compared to states with no law for hands-free
- Bans on hand-held cellphone use while driving lowering the overall death toll by an estimated <u>7%</u>.
- American Academy of Pediatrics: Bans on all handheld device use for all drivers are associated with the greatest decrease in fatal Motor vehicle crashes.
- <u>12 of 15 states saw an average 16% drop in fatalities after law enacted.</u>

Indiana: Law passed July 2020

2019 DD Crashes	10,132	
2020 DD Crashes	8,761* 🚽	
* A <u>10 year low</u> in the state		

Georgia passed a hands-free law in July 2018:

Traffic fatalities are **DOWN 3.4%** from 2017 to 2018 (the largest decrease in 10 years).³

Phone use while driving **DROPPED 22%** in the first month.⁴

30% REDUCTION in bicyclist fatalities in 2019. 5

In 12/15 states, traffic fatalities **DECREASED 16%** within 2 years of passing.

It doesn't cost constituents any additional \$\$\$

Any smartphone can work with voice activation for <u>free</u>. (Apple – Siri, Android – FREE apps work with voice tech, Google Assistant).

Mounts can be found at low price \$5 & under.

