

Lawmakers and the State Patrol are marking the first anniversary of the ban on texting while driving by reminding motorists of the deadly consequences of distracted driving. Wisconsin State Patrol Superintendent Stephen Fitzgerald says if you text and drive, your hands are not on the steering wheel, your eyes are not on the road, and your mental focus is not on traffic and road conditions.

Wisconsin's law went into effect December 1st of last year. Since then, there have been 162 convictions statewide reported by DMV. Violators can be fined up to \$400.

In Lacrosse, Captain Jason Melby says they issued 5 citations to people who were nabbed for texting while driving.