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## 5/18/12 - SENATOR SALAND HOLDS PRESS CONFERENCE ON TEEN DRIVING

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5/18/12 - Senator Steve Saland (R,I,C - Poughkeepsie) held a press conference on teen driving today at Arlington High School in LaGrangeville. To further reinforce the dangers of texting or talking on the phone behind the wheel - immediately following the press conference, Senator Saland, along with the Arlington School District, the New York State Police, and Nationwide Insurance, hosted a distracted driving simulator display for the Arlington high school students. The simulator uses virtual technology to challenge individuals to drive

safely on the road while also dealing with a number of distractions, such as answering the phone or sending a text message. The simulator demonstrates how much a driver misses on the road when their attention is diverted due to texting or talking on a cell phone.