H.P. 91
House of Representatives, January 10, 2023

An Act to Increase the Penalties for Operation of a Motor Vehicle
While Using a Handheld Electronic Device or Mobile Telephone

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

Presented by Representative ZEIGLER of Montville. (BY REQUEST)
Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2121, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2019, c. 579, §2, is further amended to read:

3. Penalty. A person who violates this section commits a traffic infraction for which a fine of $50 for the first offense and $250, a fine of $1,000 for a the 2nd or subsequent offense and the revocation of the driver's license for the 3rd or a subsequent offense may be adjudged.

SUMMARY

This bill increases the penalty for using a handheld electronic device or mobile telephone while operating a motor vehicle from $50 to $500 for a first offense and from $250 to $1,000 for a 2nd offense and adds revocation of the driver's license for a 3rd or subsequent offense.