

STATE OF MAINE

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**An Act to Include Serious Bodily Injury in the Law Governing Motor Vehicle
Violations Resulting in Death**

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2413-A, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 182, §1, is amended to read:

§2413-A. Motor vehicle violation resulting in death or serious bodily injury

1. Offense. A person commits the civil violation of motor vehicle violation resulting in death or serious bodily injury if that person, while operating a motor vehicle and committing a traffic infraction, causes the death or serious bodily injury of another person.

2. Pleading and proof. The State must prove that the defendant's committing a traffic infraction while operating a motor vehicle caused the death or serious bodily injury under subsection 1. The court shall apply Title 17-A, section 33 in assessing any causation under this section.

3. Penalties. A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a fine of not more than \$5,000 may be adjudged. Any portion of the fine adjudged may be satisfied by a court-ordered requirement of community service work. The court shall also impose a license suspension of no less than 14 days and up to 4 years.

4. Definition. As used in this section, "serious bodily injury" has the same meaning as in Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 23.