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House of Representatives, February 20, 2003

An Act Regulating the Use of Cellular Telephones by Juvenile Drivers

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative MILLS of Farmington.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2115** is enacted to read:

6 **§2115. Cellular telephone use by juvenile prohibited**
while operating motor vehicle

8 **1. Prohibition.** A person who has not attained 18 years of
10 age who has been issued an instruction permit under section 1304
12 may not operate a motor vehicle while using a handheld cellular
14 telephone.

16 **2. Penalty.** A person who violates this section commits a
18 traffic infraction for which a fine of not less than \$50 for the
20 first violation and not less than \$250 for a 2nd or subsequent
22 violation committed within one year of the first violation may be
24 adjudged.

26 **SUMMARY**

This bill prohibits a juvenile less than 18 years of age who
is driving under an instruction permit from using a handheld
cellular telephone while operating a motor vehicle. The bill
makes the offense a traffic infraction.