

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from electronic originals
(may include minor formatting differences from printed original)



131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION-2023

Legislative Document

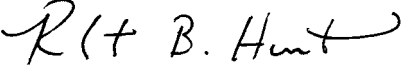
No. 145

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.


ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative ZEIGLER of Montville. (BY REQUEST)

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

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

4 **3. Penalty.** A person who violates this section commits a traffic infraction for which
5 a fine of ~~\$50~~ \$500 for the first offense ~~and \$250, a fine of \$1,000 for a the 2nd or subsequent~~
6 offense and the revocation of the driver's license for the 3rd or a subsequent offense may
7 be adjudged.

8 **SUMMARY**

9 This bill increases the penalty for using a handheld electronic device or mobile
10 telephone while operating a motor vehicle from \$50 to \$500 for a first offense and from
11 \$250 to \$1,000 for a 2nd offense and adds revocation of the driver's license for a 3rd or
12 subsequent offense.