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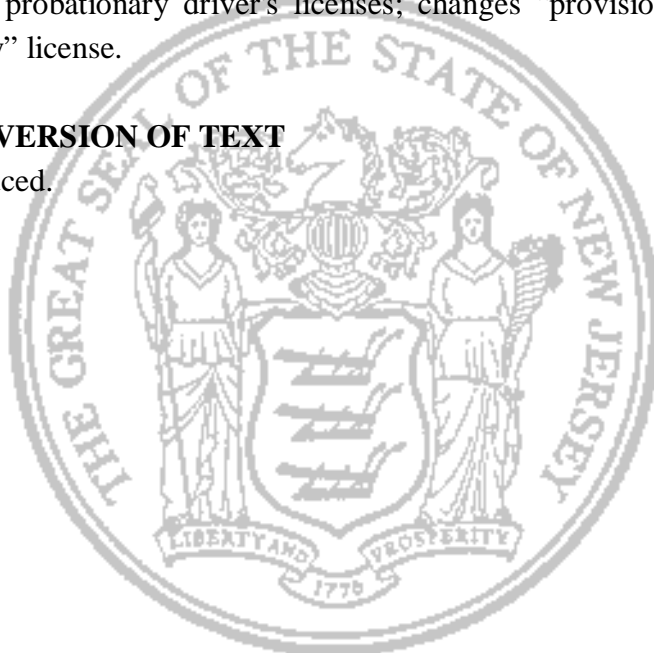
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Assemblymen L.Smith, Chiappone and Vas**

SYNOPSIS

Increases penalties for violations of special learner's permits, examination permits, and probationary driver's licenses; changes "provisional" license to "probationary" license.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT increasing certain penalties for young drivers and
2 amending P.L.2001, c.420.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 11 of P.L.2001, c.420 (C.39:3-13.8) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 11. a. A fine of \$100 shall be imposed upon a driver who is a
10 holder of a special learner's permit, examination permit, or
11 probationary driver's license for violating the following conditions
12 of [a special learners permit, an examination permit] such permit
13 or [a provisional driver's] license, as the case may be:

14 [a.] (1) supervision requirements for permit holders;

15 [b.] (2) passenger restrictions;

16 [c.] (3) hours of operation;

17 [d.] (4) seat belt requirements;

18 [e.] (5) hand-held or hands-free interactive wireless
19 communication device use restrictions; or

20 [f.] (6) any other violation of the conditions of a special
21 learner's or examination permit or [provisional] probationary
22 license as the [director] chief administrator may designate.

23 b. A fine of \$100 shall be imposed upon any passenger in a
24 motor vehicle driver by a holder of a special learner's permit,
25 examination permit, or probationary driver's license, and who is a
26 holder of a special learner's permit, examination permit, or
27 probationary driver's license and is less than 21 years of age for
28 violating the following conditions of such permit or license, as the
29 case may be:

30 (1) passenger restrictions;

31 (2) hours of operation;

32 (3) seat belt requirements; or

33 (4) any other violation of the conditions of a special learner's
34 permit, examination permit, or probationary driver's license as the
35 chief administrator may designate.

36 (cf: P.L.2001, c.420, s.11)

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38 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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42 This bill would provide for increased penalties for young drivers.

43 The current law imposes a fine of \$100 upon a driver with a
44 special learner's permit, examination permit, or provisional driver's

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 license (now called “probationary” under the bill) for violating
2 certain conditions of such permit or license, including supervision
3 and seat belt requirements and passenger, hour, and communication
4 device restrictions.

5 This bill would also impose a fine of \$100 upon any passenger in
6 a motor vehicle driver by a holder of a special learner’s permit,
7 examination permit, or probationary driver’s license, and who is a
8 holder of a special learner’s permit, examination permit, or
9 probationary license and is less than 21 years of age, for violating
10 seat belt requirements or passenger or hour restrictions, or any other
11 violation of the conditions of a special learner’s permit,
12 examination permit, or probationary license as the Chief
13 Administrator of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission may
14 designate.

15 This bill changes the term “provisional” license to
16 “probationary” license. Finally, the bill clarifies that permit and
17 probationary license holders are not permitted, while operating a
18 motor vehicle, to use any interactive wireless communication
19 device, whether it is hand-held or hands-free.