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An Act To Establish the Civil Violation of Motor Vehicle Violation Resulting in Death

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2413-A is enacted to read:

§ 2413-A. Motor vehicle violation resulting in death

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

Effective September 12, 2009