



93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY
State of Illinois
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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/12-610.1 new

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Provides that a person under the age of 19 years may not use a cellular or other mobile telephone while driving. Provides that the provision does not apply to specified communications regarding emergency situations. Provides that a violation is a petty offense punishable by a fine of \$100.

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1 AN ACT in relation to vehicles.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding
5 Section 12-610.1 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/12-610.1 new)

7 Sec. 12-610.1. Mobile telephones; persons under 19.

8 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, a person
9 under the age of 19 years may not use a cellular or other
10 mobile telephone while driving.

11 (b) This Section does not apply to the use, while driving,
12 of a cellular or other mobile telephone for the sole purpose of
13 communicating with any of the following regarding an emergency
14 situation: an emergency telephone system or other service that
15 refers emergency calls to the appropriate public safety agency;
16 a hospital, physician, physician's office, or health clinic; an
17 ambulance company; a fire department; or a police department.

18 (c) A violation of this Section is a petty offense
19 punishable by a fine of \$100.