

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 HB0563

Introduced 1/27/2005, by Rep. Robert Rita

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.

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

- Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding 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 <u>(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, a person</u>
 9 <u>under the age of 19 years may not use a cellular or other</u>
 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
- 18 <u>(c) A violation of this Section is a petty offense</u>
 19 punishable by a fine of \$100.

ambulance company; a fire department; or a police department.