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A BILL FOR

1 An Act tripling the scheduled fines for moving traffic violations
2 committed while using a cell phone.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 321.1, Code Supplement 2005, is amended
2 by adding the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 7A. "Cell phone" or "cellular telephone"
4 means any device used for remote two-way communication
5 including but not limited to a mobile telephone, two-way
6 radio, wireless electronic mail device, or two-way pager.

7 Sec. 2. Section 805.8A, subsection 14, Code Supplement
8 2005, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

9 NEW PARAGRAPH. j. CELL PHONE VIOLATIONS. The scheduled
10 fine for any moving traffic violation under chapter 321, as
11 provided in this section, shall be tripled if the violation
12 occurs while the motor vehicle operator is using a cell phone,
13 as defined in section 321.1.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill triples the scheduled fine for any moving traffic
16 violation committed while the motor vehicle operator is using
17 a cell phone. The bill includes any device used for remote
18 two-way communication within the definition of "cell phone"
19 for purposes of the regulation of motor vehicles under Code
20 chapter 321.

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