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## IN SENATE

March 20, 2023

Introduced by Sens. PARKER, ADDABBO, LANZA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to increasing penalties for leaving the scene of an accident without reporting

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Paragraph c of subdivision 2 of section 600 of the vehicle  
2 and traffic law, as amended by chapter 497 of the laws of 2022, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 c. A violation of the provisions of paragraph a of this subdivision  
5 resulting solely from the failure of an operator to exhibit his or her  
6 license and insurance identification card for the vehicle or exchange  
7 the information required in such paragraph shall constitute a class B  
8 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than two hundred fifty nor  
9 more than five hundred dollars in addition to any other penalties  
10 provided by law. Any subsequent such violation shall constitute a class  
11 A misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than five hundred nor  
12 more than one thousand dollars in addition to any other penalties  
13 provided by law. Any violation of the provisions of paragraph a of this  
14 subdivision, other than for the mere failure of an operator to exhibit  
15 his or her license and insurance identification card for such vehicle or  
16 exchange the information required in such paragraph, shall constitute a  
17 class [~~A misdemeanor~~] E felony, punishable by a fine of not less than  
18 [~~seven hundred fifty~~] one thousand dollars nor more than [~~one~~] two thou-  
19 sand five hundred dollars in addition to any other penalties provided by  
20 law. Any such violation committed by a person after such person has  
21 previously been convicted of such a violation shall constitute a class  
22 [~~E~~] D felony, punishable by a fine of not less than [~~one~~] two thousand  
23 nor more than [~~three~~] five thousand dollars in addition to any other  
24 penalties provided by law. Any violation of the provisions of paragraph

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 a of this subdivision, other than for the mere failure of an operator to  
2 exhibit his or her license and insurance identification card for such  
3 vehicle or exchange the information required in such paragraph, where  
4 the personal injury involved (i) results in serious physical injury, as  
5 defined in section 10.00 of the penal law, shall constitute a class E  
6 felony, punishable by a fine of not less than one thousand nor more than  
7 five thousand dollars in addition to any other penalties provided by  
8 law, or (ii) results in death shall constitute a class D felony punisha-  
9 ble by a fine of not less than two thousand nor more than five thousand  
10 dollars in addition to any other penalties provided by law.

11 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-  
12 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.