

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

May 13, 2026

Introduced by Sen. GRIFFO -- 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 the operation of a motor vehicle while using mobile telephones or portable electronic devices

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

1 Section 1. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new
2 section 1225-e to read as follows:

3 § 1225-e. Aggravated distracted driving. 1. No person shall operate a
4 motor vehicle in violation of sections twelve hundred twenty-five-c or
5 twelve hundred twenty-five-d of this article while a child who is
6 fifteen years of age or less is a passenger in such motor vehicle.

7 2. A violation of this section shall be a misdemeanor and shall be
8 punishable by a fine of not less than five hundred dollars nor more than
9 one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in a penitentiary or county
10 jail for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

11 3. Upon a conviction for a violation of this section, the operator's
12 driver's license shall be revoked and a registration may be revoked for
13 a period of six months.

14 4. Where a court fails to impose or incorrectly imposes a revocation
15 as required by this section, the commissioner shall, upon receipt of a
16 certificate of conviction filed pursuant to section five hundred four-
17 teen of this chapter, impose such mandated revocation, which shall
18 supersede any such order which the court may have imposed.

19 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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