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1 AN ACT

2 to amend the Motor Traffic Act, 1986 by inserting a new section to require a driver and a  
3 front-seat passenger of a motor vehicle to be restrained by seat belt while a motor vehicle is  
4 operated.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS:

6 Section 1. Short Title

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8 This Act may be cited as the Motor Traffic (Amendment) Act, 2011.

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10 Section 2. Amendments

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12 (1) Section 141 of the Motor Traffic Act is hereby amended by inserting a new language to  
13 read as follows:

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16 **§141. Requirement for seat belt usage.**

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18 (1) It is unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle unless:

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20 (a) the person is restrained by a seat belt;

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22 (b) each passenger in the front seat is restrained by a seat belt; or in a case of an  
23 infant child, is restrained by a restraining device.

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26 (2) Any driver of a motor vehicle who violates subsection (1) shall be punishable by a  
27 fine of \$50 or an imprisonment not more than 3 months or both.

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30 (3) For the purpose of this section, "infant" includes any child below the age of 3 years,  
31 and "restraining device" includes car seat for children or any special restraining device for  
32 children.  
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36 (4) Any payment of fine made under subsection 2 shall be deposited as follows:

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38 (a) Fifty percent (50%) to the Justice Special Revenue Fund.

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40 (b) Fifty percent (50%) to the Judiciary Fund.

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Section 4.     **Transition**

The provisions of section 141 shall become enforceable six (6) months after the date of certification.

Section 3.     **Effective date**

This Act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with the Constitution and the Rules of Procedure of the Nitijela.

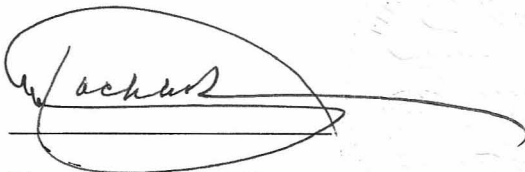
**CERTIFICATE**

**I hereby certify:**

1. That Nitijela Bill No: 54ND1 was passed by the Nitijela of the Republic of the Marshall Islands on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011; and
2. That I am satisfied that Nitijela Bill No: 54ND1 was passed in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

I hereby place my signature before the Clerk this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011

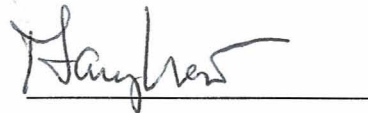
**Attest:**



**Hon. Alvin T. Jacklick**

Speaker

Nitijela of the Marshall Islands



**Gary Ueno**

Clerk

Nitijela of the Marshall Islands