

Clerk of the Circuit Court

From: Susan Hartman

Date: 2 October 2013

Subj: Texting While Driving

As you know, effective October 1, 2013, it is illegal to text while driving. This is a secondary offense.

The statute numbers are as follows:  $316.305(3)(a) - 1^{st}$  offense = \$116.00 (non-moving)  $316.305(3)(a) - 1^{st}$  offense in school zone = \$116.00 (non-moving)  $316.305(3)(a) - 2^{nd}$  or subsequent violation w/in 5 years after the date of a prior conviction = \$166.00 (moving)  $316.305(3)(a) - 2^{nd}$  or subsequent offense w/in 5 years in school zone after the date of a prior conviction = \$166.00 (moving)

Also, 322.27(3)(d)11 states the following: A moving violation covered in this paragraph which is committed in conjunction with the unlawful use of a wireless communications device within a school safety zone—2 points, in addition to the points assigned for the moving violation.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (352) 742-4135.

Sincerely,

Susan Hartman, Supervising Deputy Clerk

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