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Introduced by M. of A. ORTIZ -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to directing the division of homeland security and emergency services to establish and distribute a suspicious rental activity guidance poster

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

1 Section 1. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 719 to
2 read as follows:

3 § 719. Suspicious rental activity guidance poster. 1. For purposes of
4 this section, "rental vehicle company" shall have the same meaning as
5 defined in paragraph (c) of subdivision one of section three hundred
6 ninety-six-z of the general business law.

7 2. The division shall establish and distribute a guidance poster
8 containing information on suspicious vehicle rental activity and coun-
9 termeasures rental vehicle company employees can take to prevent vehicle
10 ramming attacks. The poster shall include, but not be limited to:

11 (a) a list of questions that are considered unusual;

12 (b) a list of factors that an employee should look for when a rental
13 vehicle is returned, such as whether the vehicle smells like chemicals
14 and whether the vehicle was altered;

15 (c) unusual rental practices such as, using cash for large trans-
16 actions or using a personal credit card in another person's name;

17 (d) a contact number for an employee to use if they suspect illegal
18 activity; and

19 (e) any other information deemed important by the division that would
20 assist employees of rental vehicle companies in identifying suspicious
21 rental activity.

22 3. Every rental vehicle company shall post such poster in a conspicu-
23 ous place in a location frequented by employees, such as a break room.

24 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-
25 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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