

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. CHU -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to the suspension of tolls collected by the New York state thruway authority during a state declaration of disaster emergency

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 361 of the public  
2 authorities law, as amended by chapter 621 of the laws of 1998, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 (a) In addition to the powers conferred by the vehicle and traffic  
5 law, the authority is hereby authorized to promulgate such rules and  
6 regulations for the use and occupancy of the thruway as may be necessary  
7 and proper for the public safety and convenience, for the preservation  
8 of its property and for the collection of tolls and provided further  
9 that the authority, in consultation with the departments of environ-  
10 mental conservation and transportation, is hereby authorized to promul-  
11 gate rules and regulations necessary to implement a heavy duty vehicle  
12 roadside inspection program pursuant to section 19-0320 of the environ-  
13 mental conservation law. Such rules and regulations shall authorize and  
14 require the suspension of the collection of such tolls upon any person  
15 using and occupying the thruway during a state declared emergency evacu-  
16 ation declared as a result of a natural or a man-made disaster, and  
17 subject to a required evacuation for such disaster, during a state  
18 declaration of disaster emergency pursuant to section twenty-eight of  
19 the executive law.

20 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after  
21 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately the addition, amend-  
22 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-  
23 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and  
24 completed on or before such effective date.

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

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