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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. C. RYAN -- 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 requiring the department of transportation to provide a list of legal clearance heights for bridges to certain drivers

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

Section 1. Subdivision (c) of section 1621 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 420 of the laws of 1968, is amended to read as follows:

(c) Such department of transportation shall cause signs to be erected to inform persons of the legal overhead clearance for all bridges and elevated structures on highways under its jurisdiction. The legal clearance shall be one foot less than the measured clearance. The measured clearance shall be the minimum height to the bridge or structure measured vertically from the traveled portion of the roadway. On bridges or structures having fourteen feet or more of measured clearance, no such signs shall be required. **The department of transportation shall cause to inform and furnish to an owner or operator of trucks, commercial vehicles, tractors, tractor-trailer combinations, tractor-semitrailer combinations, or tractor-trailer-semitrailer combinations a list of each legal clearance height for all bridges and elevated structures on highways under its jurisdiction.**

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the first of June next succeeding 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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