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AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to requiring that all for-hire vehicles have New York state license plates in order to receive a New York state safety inspection

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision (b) of section 301 of the vehicle and traffic
2 law is amended to read as follows:

3 (b) (1) The commissioner shall also require the inspection of any
4 motor vehicle duly registered under the laws of another state, a prov-
5 ince of Canada, a territory or a federal district to the extent to which
6 such state, province, territory or federal district requires the
7 inspection of motor vehicles duly registered under the laws of this
8 state; provided, however, that a motor vehicle used to carry passengers
9 for hire in for-hire vans and buses greater than nine passengers capaci-
10 ty have New York state issued license plates to receive a bi-annual New
11 York State DOT safety inspection a for-hire vehicle service under an
12 authorization issued by a municipality shall not be inspected in accord-
13 ance with the provisions of this section unless such motor vehicle used
14 to carry passengers for hire in a for-hire vehicle is duly registered
15 under the laws of this state.

16 (2) For the purposes of this paragraph, the following terms shall have
17 the following meanings:

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

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1 (A) "for-hire vehicle" shall mean a motor vehicle carrying passengers
2 for hire in New York state, with a seating capacity of nine passengers
3 and above, not including the driver; and

4 (B) "seating capacity" shall include any plain view location which is
5 capable of accommodating a normal adult as part of an overall seat
6 configuration and design and is likely to be used as a seating position
7 while the vehicle is in motion.

8 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.