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Introduced by M. of A. ESPAILLAT, PERALTA -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BOYLAND, ROBINSON, WRIGHT -- read once and referred to the Committee on Cities

AN ACT to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to providing for a demonstration program for the fitting of taxicabs to accommodate the disabled

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 19-529.7 to read as follows:

S 19-529.7 TAXICABS; ACCOMMODATE THE DISABLED; DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM. 1. THE COMMISSION SHALL ESTABLISH A DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM FOR THE ADAPTATION OF ONE THOUSAND TAXICABS TO ACCOMMODATE THE DISABLED. SUCH TAXICABS MAY BE THOSE SO FITTED PRIOR TO BEING PLACED IN SERVICE OR RETROFITTED TAXICABS ALREADY IN SERVICE.

SUCH TAXICABS SHALL BE ECOLOGY FRIENDLY, SUCH AS TAXICABS EQUIPPED WITH COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS OR HYBRID POWERED ENGINES.

2. TAXICABS SO ADAPTED SHALL BE PLACED IN SERVICE SIX MONTHS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION. THE COMMISSION SHALL STUDY AND INVESTIGATE THE EFFECTS OF THIS PROGRAM AND SHALL REPORT ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS THEREON TO THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL ONE YEAR AFTER SUCH TAXICABS SHALL HAVE BEEN PLACED IN SERVICE. THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROGRAM SHALL CEASE SIX MONTHS AFTER SUCH REPORT SHALL HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED.

3. THE COMMISSION SHALL PROMULGATE SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS AND TAKE SUCH OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE STEPS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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