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AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to providing  
electronic toll collection discounts for certain fuel efficient vehi-  
cles

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

1     Section 1. The public authorities law is amended by adding a new  
2     section 388 to read as follows:  
3     S 388. GREEN E-ZPASS DISCOUNT. 1. ANY PERSON WHO HAS AN ELECTRONIC  
4     TOLL COLLECTION SYSTEM ACCOUNT WITH THE AUTHORITY SHALL RECEIVE A TEN  
5     PERCENT DISCOUNT ON TOLLS INCURRED ON NEW YORK STATE TOLL ROADS FOR A  
6     MOTOR VEHICLE WHICH HAS A HIGHWAY MPG FUEL EFFICIENCY OF THIRTY-FIVE  
7     MILES PER GALLON OR HIGHER. SUCH DISCOUNT SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE "GREEN  
8     E-ZPASS DISCOUNT".  
9     2. AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOW-  
10    ING MEANINGS:  
11    A. "ELECTRONIC TOLL COLLECTION SYSTEM" SHALL MEAN A SYSTEM OF COLLECT-  
12    ING TOLLS OR CHARGES WHICH IS CAPABLE OF CHARGING AN ACCOUNT HOLDER THE  
13    APPROPRIATE TOLL OR CHARGE BY TRANSMISSION OF INFORMATION FROM AN ELEC-  
14    TRONIC DEVICE ON A MOTOR VEHICLE TO THE TOLL LANE, WHICH INFORMATION IS  
15    USED TO CHARGE THE ACCOUNT THE APPROPRIATE TOLL OR CHARGE; AND  
16    B. "HIGHWAY MPG FUEL EFFICIENCY" MEANS THE HIGHWAY MILES PER GALLON  
17    FUEL EFFICIENCY ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS AND PRINT-  
18    ED ON THE FUEL ECONOMY LABEL AFFIXED TO A WINDOW ON A NEW MOTOR VEHICLE  
19    PURSUANT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL  
20    PROTECTION AGENCY (40 CFR 600 ET.SEQ.).  
21    S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after  
22    it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-  
23    ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-  
24    tation of this act on its effective date is authorized to be made and  
25    completed on or before such date.

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

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