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Introduced by Sen. MORAHAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to municipal regulation of the registration and licensing of taxicabs, limousines and livery vehicles

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

1     Section 1. Section 181 of the general municipal law, as amended by  
2 chapter 579 of the laws of 1993, subdivision 1 as amended by chapter 430  
3 of the laws of 2003, is amended to read as follows:  
4     S 181. Ordinances to regulate taxicabs and limousines. 1. The municipal officers and boards in the several cities, towns and villages of  
5 this state now having the authority to enact LOCAL LAWS OR ordinances,  
6 may adopt ordinances regulating:  
7     [1] A. The registration and licensing of taxicabs and may limit the  
8 number of taxicabs to be licensed and the county of Westchester AND THE  
9 COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, may adopt LOCAL LAWS OR ordinances regulating the  
10 registration and licensing of taxicabs [and], limousines AND LIVERY  
11 VEHICLES and may limit the number to be licensed; and the county of  
12 Nassau may adopt ordinances regulating the registration of taxicabs and  
13 limousines.  
14     [2] B. Parking and passenger pick-up and discharge by taxicabs,  
15 limousines and livery vehicles. Establishment of such ordinances and  
16 regulations regulating parking and passenger pick-up and discharges may  
17 be based upon recommendations from municipal planning officials or other  
18 public entities and may address and take into consideration such  
19 factors, including, but not limited to, geographic areas, vehicle type,  
20 limiting the number of parked vehicles and activities undertaken while  
21 parked, and periods of idling.  
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EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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1     2. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, ANY LOCAL LAW OR  
2 ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER OR THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND  
3 PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION SHALL SUPERSEDE ANY SUCH  
4 LOCAL LAW OR ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY A CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE LOCATED WITHIN  
5 SUCH COUNTIES.

6     3. THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER AND THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AFTER THE  
7 ADOPTION OF A LOCAL LAW OR ORDINANCE REGULATING THE LICENSING OF TAXI-  
8 CABS, LIMOUSINES AND LIVERY VEHICLES, MAY ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH A  
9 MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF ANOTHER STATE, OR WITH ANOTHER STATE, TO  
10 PROVIDE FOR THE RECIPROCAL RECOGNITION OF LICENSES ISSUED TO TAXICABS,  
11 LIMOUSINES AND LIVERY VEHICLES.

12     4. THE COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER MAY ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH THE COUNTY  
13 OF ROCKLAND TO ISSUE LICENSES ON BEHALF OF EITHER OR BOTH OF THOSE COUN-  
14 TIES PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN THIS SECTION AND TO IMPOSE  
15 PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE SAME.

16     5. ANY VILLAGE WITHIN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND THAT CURRENTLY REGISTERS  
17 AND LICENSES TAXICABS SHALL HAVE CONCURRENT JURISDICTION WITH SUCH COUN-  
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19     S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.