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IN SENATE

May 20, 2010

Introduced by Sen. STEWART-COUSINS -- 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 vehicles passing bicycles on roadways

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph 2 of subdivision (a) of section 1120 of the vehi-2 cle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 653 of the laws of 1964, is 3 amended to read as follows:

4 2. When overtaking or passing BICYCLISTS, pedestrians, animals or 5 obstructions on the right half of the roadway;

6 S 2. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new section 7 1122-a to read as follows:

8 S 1122-A. OVERTAKING A BICYCLE. THE OPERATOR OF A VEHICLE OVERTAKING, 9 FROM BEHIND, A BICYCLE PROCEEDING ON THE SAME SIDE OF A ROADWAY SHALL 10 PASS TO THE LEFT OF SUCH BICYCLE AT A SAFE DISTANCE UNTIL SAFELY CLEAR 11 THEREOF.

12 S 3. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-13 ing 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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