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Introduced by M. of A. WRIGHT -- read once and referred to the Committee  
on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to operation of  
a motor vehicle with a video monitor or screen

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

1     Section 1. Subdivision 24 of section 375 of the vehicle and traffic  
2     law, as amended by chapter 39 of the laws of 1989, is amended to read as  
3     follows:  
4     24. It shall be unlawful to operate upon any public STREET, ROAD OR  
5     highway in this state a motor vehicle which is equipped with a tele-  
6     vision receiving set, OR A VIDEO MONITOR OR SCREEN UPON WHICH ANY MEANS  
7     OF VISUALLY DISPLAYING A TELEVISION BROADCAST OR VIDEO SIGNAL THAT  
8     PRODUCES ENTERTAINMENT OR BUSINESS APPLICATIONS MAY BE DISPLAYED, AT ANY  
9     POINT FORWARD OF THE BACK OF THE DRIVER'S SEAT, OR within view of the  
10    operator or in which a television receiving set is in operation within  
11    the view of the operator OR IN WHICH A VIDEO MONITOR OR SCREEN DISPLAY-  
12    ING ANY MEANS OF VISUALLY DISPLAYING A TELEVISION BROADCAST OR VIDEO  
13    SIGNAL THAT PRODUCES ENTERTAINMENT OR BUSINESS APPLICATIONS WITHIN THE  
14    VIEW OF THE OPERATOR. A motor vehicle shall not be deemed to be  
15    equipped with a television receiving set OR SUCH A VIDEO MONITOR OR  
16    SCREEN solely because such set, MONITOR OR SCREEN utilizes power from  
17    such vehicle. The provisions of this subdivision shall not prohibit a  
18    vehicle with a weight of ten thousand pounds or more or a school bus  
19    from using closed-circuit television receiving equipment exclusively for  
20    safety and maneuvering purposes, in accordance with regulations to be  
21    established by the commissioner. NO RETAILER SHALL INSTALL IN ANY MOTOR  
22    VEHICLE, ANY VIDEO MONITOR OR SCREEN UPON WHICH ANY MEANS OF VISUALLY  
23    DISPLAYING A TELEVISION BROADCAST OR VIDEO SIGNAL THAT PRODUCES ENTER-  
24    TAINMENT OR BUSINESS APPLICATIONS AT ANY POINT FORWARD OF THE BACK OF  
25    THE DRIVER'S SEAT, OR WITHIN THE VIEW OF THE OPERATOR OF THE MOTOR VEHI-

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

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1 CLE. FURTHERMORE, THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL NOT APPLY TO  
2 (A) THE VIDEO MONITOR OR SCREEN ON ANY GLOBAL POSITIONING OR NAVIGA-  
3 TIONAL SYSTEM, MAPPING DISPLAY OR OTHER DISPLAY UTILIZED TO ENHANCE THE  
4 EXTERIOR VIEW FOR THE PURPOSE OF MANEUVERING THE MOTOR VEHICLE, (B) ANY  
5 TELEVISION RECEIVING SET, OR VIDEO MONITOR OR SCREEN, IF SUCH EQUIPMENT  
6 OR MOTOR VEHICLE IS EQUIPPED WITH A DEVICE THAT DISABLES SUCH EQUIPMENT  
7 WHILE SUCH VEHICLE IS OPERATED UPON A PUBLIC HIGHWAY, (C) ANY MOBILE  
8 DIGITAL TERMINAL IN AN AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY VEHICLE, OR (D) ANY TELE-  
9 VISION RECEIVING SET OR VIDEO MONITOR OR SCREEN IN A SELF-CONTAINED  
10 MOTOR HOME IN EXCESS OF TWENTY OPEN FEET IN LENGTH.  
11 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of September next  
12 succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.