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

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to prohibiting a motor vehicle driver from driving abreast of another motor vehicle in a lane designated for one vehicle

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

Section 1. Section 1212 of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 47 of the laws of 1988, is amended to read as follows:

S 1212. Reckless driving. (A) Reckless driving shall mean driving or using any motor vehicle, motorcycle or any other vehicle propelled by any power other than muscular power or any appliance or accessory thereof in a manner which unreasonably interferes with the free and proper use of the public highway, or unreasonably endangers users of the public highway.

(B) A PERSON SHALL BE GUILTY OF RECKLESS DRIVING WHEN HE OR SHE DRIVES ANY MOTOR VEHICLE SO AS TO BE ABREAST OF ANOTHER VEHICLE IN A LANE DESIGNED FOR ONE VEHICLE, OR DRIVES ANY MOTOR VEHICLE SO AS TO TRAVEL ABREAST OF ANY OTHER VEHICLE TRAVELING IN A LANE DESIGNED FOR ONE VEHICLE; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NOTHING IN THIS SECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO PROHIBIT TWO MOTORCYCLES FROM TRAVELING ABREAST WHILE TRAVELING IN A LANE DESIGNATED FOR ONE VEHICLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION TWELVE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO OF THIS CHAPTER. IN ADDITION, THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO (I) ANY VALIDLY AUTHORIZED PARADE, MOTORCADE, OR MOTORCYCLE ESCORT; (II) A MOTOR VEHICLE TRAVELING IN THE SAME LANE OF TRAFFIC AS A BICYCLE, ELECTRIC PERSONAL ASSISTIVE MOBILITY DEVICE, ELECTRIC POWER-ASSISTED BICYCLE, OR MOPED; OR (III) ANY VEHICLE WHEN LAWFULLY OVERTAKING AND PASSING ONE OR MORE VEHICLES TRAVELING IN THE SAME DIRECTION IN A SEPARATE LANE.

Reckless driving is prohibited. Every person violating this provision shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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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