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## IN SENATE

## February 5, 2014

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

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to maintenance of motor vehicle number plates

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

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 1 of section 402 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 109 of the laws of 2005, is amended to read as follows:

 (b) Number plates shall be kept clean and in a condition so as to be easily readable and shall not be covered by glass or any plastic material THAT DISTORTS OR OBSTRUCTS THE VIEW OF THE DISTINCTIVE NUMBER OR OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS, and shall not be knowingly covered or coated with any artificial or synthetic material or substance that conceals or obscures such number plates or that distorts a recorded or photographic image of such number plates, and the view of THE DISTINCTIVE NUMBER AND OTHER IDENTIFYING MARKS, AS PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSIONER, ON such number plates shall not be obstructed by any part of the vehicle or by anything carried thereon, except for a receiver-transmitter issued by a publicly owned tolling facility in connection with electronic toll collection when such receiver-transmitter is affixed to the exterior of a vehicle in accordance with mounting instructions provided by the tolling facility.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law; provided that, effective immediately, any rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this act are authorized and directed to be completed on or before such effective date.

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

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