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Introduced by Sen. LANZA -- 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 the length of car carriers

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

- 1     Section 1. Section 105-a of the vehicle and traffic law is renumbered  
2     section 105-b and a new section 105-a is added to read as follows:  
3     S 105-A. CAR CARRIER. A TRUCK THAT IS DESIGNED TO TOW AND CARRY TWO,  
4     THREE OR FOUR MOTOR VEHICLES. A TWO CAR CARRIER IS DESIGNED TO TOW A  
5     MOTOR VEHICLE AND CARRY A MOTOR VEHICLE ON A STEEL OR ALUMINUM DECK. A  
6     THREE CAR CARRIER IS DESIGNED TO TOW A MOTOR VEHICLE AND CARRY TWO MOTOR  
7     VEHICLES ON A STEEL OR ALUMINUM DECK AND A FOUR CAR CARRIER IS DESIGNED  
8     TO TOW A MOTOR VEHICLE, CARRY TWO MOTOR VEHICLES ON A STEEL OR ALUMINUM  
9     DECK AND A THIRD MOTOR VEHICLE ON A DECK ABOVE THE CAB OF THE TRUCK. A  
10    CAR CARRIER THAT IS ENGAGED IN COMMERCIAL TOWING MAY ALSO BE REFERRED TO  
11    AS A TOW TRUCK AND MUST BE REGISTERED AS A TOW TRUCK.  
12    S 2. Section 127 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter  
13    26 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as follows:  
14    S 127. Overhang. That portion of a transported vehicle or boat which  
15    extends beyond the front or rear bumper of an automobile transporter or  
16    stinger-steered automobile transporter or boat transporter or stinger-  
17    steered boat transporter, OR THAT PORTION OF A TRANSPORTED VEHICLE THAT  
18    EXTENDS BEYOND THE REAR BUMPER OF A CAR CARRIER.  
19    S 3. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 3 of section 385 of the vehicle and  
20    traffic law, as amended by chapter 173 of the laws of 1990, is amended  
21    to read as follows:  
22    (a) The length of a single vehicle, inclusive of load and bumpers,  
23    shall be not more than forty feet unless otherwise provided in this  
24    subdivision, EXCEPT THAT A CAR CARRIER MAY HAVE AN OVERHANG THAT EXTENDS  
25    BEYOND THE REAR BUMPER OF SUCH CAR CARRIER BY NOT MORE THAN THREE FEET.  
26    S 4. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall  
27    have become a law.

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

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