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IN SENATE

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AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to discounted tolls on the Verrazano-Narrows bridge for residents of Kings county

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

1 Section 1. The public authorities law is amended by adding a new 2 section 553-j to read as follows:

3 553-J. VERRAZANO-NARROWS REDUCED TOLL; KINGS COUNTY. NOTWITHSTAND-ING ANY INCONSISTENT PROVISION OF LAW, BUT SUBJECT TO AGREEMENTS AND BONDHOLDERS, THE AUTHORITY SHALL ESTABLISH A REDUCED NOTEHOLDERS 6 TOLL FOR RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS AS SET FORTH IN THIS 7 WHICH SHALL ENTITLE SUCH RESIDENTS TO CROSSINGS OVER THE VERRAZANO-NAR-ROWS BRIDGE AT A REDUCED COST OF FIFTY-EIGHT PER CENTUM OF THE 9 CROSSING FARE IMPOSED ON NONRESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS. IN THE 10 EVENT THE AUTHORITY SHALL IMPOSE A SURCHARGE IN ADDITION TO THE REGULAR 11 TOLL FOR CROSSINGS OVER THE VERRAZANO-NARROWS BRIDGE, SUCH SURCHARGE SHALL NOT BE DEEMED A PART OF THE REGULAR CROSSING FARE FOR PURPOSES OF 12 THIS SECTION, AND SUCH RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS SHALL BE ENTI-13 TLED TO A PERMANENT EXEMPTION FROM THE PAYMENT OF ANY SUCH SURCHARGE. 14 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY TO RESIDENTS OF KINGS COUNTY 15 16 WHO UTILIZE AN ELECTRONIC METHOD OF TOLL PAYMENT AND WHO CROSS VERRAZANO-NARROWS BRIDGE THREE OR MORE TIMES PER MONTH. APPLICATION FOR 17 SUCH DISCOUNT SHALL BE MADE IN SUCH MANNER AS PRESCRIBED BY THE AUTHORI-18 19 TY AND SHALL CONTAIN SUCH INFORMATION AS THE AUTHORITY MAY REASONABLY 20 REOUIRE.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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