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Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Buchwald, Gantt) -- (at request of the Department of Transportation) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the railroad law, in relation to requiring joint inspection of traffic signals

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

Section 1. The railroad law is amended by adding a new section 53-f to read as follows:

S 53-F. JOINT INSPECTION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS. 1. NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF ANY OTHER LAW TO THE CONTRARY, THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO ESTABLISH, IMPLEMENT, AND EXERCISE OVERSIGHT OVER A PROGRAM OF INSPECTION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES INTERCONNECTED WITH HIGHWAY-RAIL AT GRADE CROSSING WARNING SYSTEMS.

2. PURSUANT TO THE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE APPLICABLE TO EVERY RAILROAD CORPORATION AND EACH MUNICIPALITY HAVING JURISDICTION OF A HIGHWAY ON WHICH THERE IS AN AT GRADE RAIL CROSSING. SUCH PROCEDURE SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE COORDINATED OPERATION AND BIENNIAL INSPECTION OF ANY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES INTERCONNECTED WITH A HIGHWAY-RAIL AT GRADE CROSSING WARNING SYSTEM.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law; provided that, effective immediately, the commissioner of transportation is authorized to promulgate any rules or regulations necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date.

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

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