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

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to exemption of  
emergency service vehicles from thruway tolls

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

1     Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 378-a of the public authorities  
2 law, as added by chapter 23 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as  
3 follows:  
4     1. The authority is hereby authorized and directed to issue refunds  
5 for tolls incurred by [ambulances] AMBULANCE SERVICE or fire vehicles  
6 engaged in an emergency operation, or, at the option of the authority,  
7 to issue emergency services permits for use by [ambulances] AMBULANCE  
8 SERVICE and fire vehicles which shall provide for travel at no charge  
9 between interchanges and barriers while such vehicles are engaged in an  
10 emergency operation. For purposes of this section, the term ["ambu-  
11 lance"] "AMBULANCE SERVICE" shall have the same meaning as such term is  
12 defined by [section one hundred-b of the vehicle and traffic law] SUBDI-  
13 VISION TWO OR THREE OF SECTION THREE THOUSAND ONE OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH  
14 LAW, the term "fire vehicle" shall have the same meaning as such term is  
15 defined by section one hundred fifteen-a of the vehicle and traffic law,  
16 and the term "emergency operation" shall have the same meaning as such  
17 term is defined by section one hundred fourteen-b of the vehicle and  
18 traffic law, BUT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE RETURN-  
19 ING FROM SUCH SERVICE. In any rules and regulations promulgated for the  
20 implementation of this section, the authority may establish the type of  
21 documentation or other proof satisfactory to the authority that an  
22 [ambulance] AMBULANCE SERVICE or fire vehicle was engaged in an emergen-  
23 cy operation at the time a toll was incurred.  
24     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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