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

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to requiring that persons who are under eighteen years of age and charged with a traffic violation must appear in court with a parent or guardian

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

Section 1. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new section 229 to read as follows:

S 229. APPEARANCES BY MINORS. ANY PERSON WHO IS LESS THAN EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND WHO IS CHARGED WITH VIOLATING A PROVISION OF THIS CHAPTER SHALL NOT MAKE ANY COURT APPEARANCE UNLESS HE OR SHE IS ACCOMPANIED BY HIS OR HER PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN. SUCH PERSON MAY NOT MAKE AN APPEARANCE BY MAIL. IF SUCH PERSON IS REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY, SUCH PERSON AND HIS OR HER PARENT OR GUARDIAN MUST ACCOMPANY THE ATTORNEY TO EACH AND EVERY COURT APPEARANCE.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law, provided that the commissioner of motor vehicles is immediately authorized and directed to promulgate, amend and/or repeal any rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions 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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