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IN SENATE -- Introduced by Sens. SAVINO, LANZA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

IN ASSEMBLY -- Introduced by M. of A. MALLIOTAKIS, BROOK-KRASNY, ORTIZ, TITONE, BORELLI, CUSICK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to allowing vehicles containing three or more passengers to utilize the high occupancy vehicle lane on the Staten Island expressway

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

Section 1. Article 12 of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new section 397-c to read as follows:

S 397-C. UTILIZATION OF THE HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE LANE ON THE STATEN ISLAND EXPRESSWAY. THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ALLOW VEHICLES CONTAINING THREE OR MORE PASSENGERS GOING EITHER NORTHBOUND OR SOUTHBOUND ON INTERSTATE TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THROUGH THE COUNTY OF RICHMOND, FOR THOSE PORTIONS OF SUCH INTERSTATE KNOWN AS THE STATEN ISLAND EXPRESSWAY AND CONTAINING A HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE LANE, TO UTILIZE SUCH LANE TWENTY-FOUR HOURS PER DAY, SEVEN DAYS PER WEEK. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL OPEN AND MAINTAIN SUCH LANE DURING THE TIME SPECIFIED HEREIN, EXCEPTING ONLY FOR EMERGENCIES, NECESSARY ROAD WORK AND REPAIRS.

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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