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Introduced by Sen. AMEDORE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to directing the New York state thruway authority to establish a farm EZ pass which grants discounted tolls for certain motor vehicles used by persons engaged in agricultural production

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

Section 1. The public authorities law is amended by adding a new section 378-b to read as follows:

S 378-B. FARM EZ PASS. 1. THE AUTHORITY SHALL ESTABLISHED AND ISSUE ELECTRONIC TOLL COLLECTION DEVICES FOR SINGLE UNIT TRUCKS AND TRUCKS HAVING TWO OR MORE AXLES WHICH ARE OWNED AND OPERATED BY A PERSON OR ENTITY ENGAGED IN THE PRODUCTION OF CROPS, LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS, AS DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION TWO OF SECTION THREE HUNDRED ONE OF THE AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS LAW, WHEN SUCH TRUCKS ARE USED EXCLUSIVELY TO FURTHER THE CONDUCTING OF SUCH PRODUCTION. THE USE OF SUCH ELECTRONIC TOLL COLLECTION DEVICES SHALL PROVIDE A TEN PERCENT DISCOUNT ON THE TOLL OTHERWISE IMPOSED FOR THE USE OF THE THRUWAY SYSTEM, OR ANY PORTION THEREOF, BY THE TRUCK TO WHICH THE DEVICE IS AFFIXED.

2. THE AUTHORITY SHALL PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, INCLUDING ESTABLISHING THE TYPE OF DOCUMENTATION OR OTHER PROOF REQUIRED TO PROVE THAT A TRUCK IS EXCLUSIVELY USED TO FURTHER THE CONDUCTING OF THE PRODUCTION OF CROPS, LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law; provided, however that, effective immediately, any rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this act on its effective date are authorized and directed to be completed on or before such date.

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

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