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

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to certain traffic-control indications; to amend chapter 746 of the laws of 1988 amending the vehicle and traffic law, the general municipal law and the public officers law, relating to the civil liability of vehicle owners for traffic control signal violations, in relation to making such provisions permanent; and to amend local law number 46 of the city of New York for the year 1989 amending the administrative code of the city of New York relating to civil liability of vehicle owners for traffic control signal violations, in relation to making such provisions permanent

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

1     Section 1. Paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 1111-a of the  
2     vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 18 of the laws of 2009,  
3     is amended to read as follows:  
4     1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each city with a popu-  
5     lation of one million or more is hereby authorized and empowered to  
6     adopt and amend a local law or ordinance establishing a demonstration  
7     program imposing monetary liability on the owner of a vehicle for fail-  
8     ure of an operator thereof to comply with traffic-control indications in  
9     such city in accordance with the provisions of this section. Such demon-  
10    stration program shall empower a city to install and operate traffic-  
11    control signal photo violation-monitoring devices at no more than [one]  
12    TWO hundred fifty intersections within such city at any one time.  
13    S 2. Paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 19-210 of the adminis-  
14    trative code of the city of New York, as amended by chapter 18 of the  
15    laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:

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

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1 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the parking violations  
2 bureau is hereby authorized and empowered to establish a demonstration  
3 program imposing monetary liability on the owner of a vehicle for fail-  
4 ure of an operator thereof to comply with traffic-control indications in  
5 accordance with the provisions of this section. The department of trans-  
6 portation, for purposes of implementation of such program, shall be  
7 authorized to install and operate traffic-control signal photo viola-  
8 tion-monitoring devices at no more than [one] TWO hundred fifty inter-  
9 sections at any one time.

10 S 3. Section 17 of chapter 746 of the laws of 1988 amending the vehi-  
11 cle and traffic law, the general municipal law and the public officers  
12 law, relating to the civil liability of vehicle owners for traffic  
13 control signal violations, as amended by chapter 134 of the laws of  
14 2014, is amended to read as follows:

15 S 17. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall  
16 have become a law [and shall remain in full force and effect until  
17 December 1, 2019 when upon such date the amendments and provisions made  
18 by this act shall be deemed repealed; provided, however, any such local  
19 laws as may be enacted pursuant to this act shall remain in full force  
20 and effect only until the expiration on December 1, 2019].

21 S 4. Section 2 of local law number 46 of the city of New York for the  
22 year 1989 amending the administrative code of the city of New York  
23 relating to civil liability of vehicle owners for traffic control signal  
24 violations, as amended by chapter 134 of the laws of 2014, is amended to  
25 read as follows:

26 S 2. This local law shall take effect immediately [and shall expire on  
27 December 1, 2019].

28 S 5. This act shall take effect immediately.