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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. SCHIMMINGER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law and the general municipal law, in relation to mutual assistance agreements for the assistance of motorists on any thruway during an emergency

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 389 to read as follows:

S 389. ASSISTANCE TO MOTORISTS DURING AN EMERGENCY. THE AUTHORITY IS AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO MUTUAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENTS WITH MUNICIPALITIES AND SNOWMOBILE AND OTHER OUTDOOR ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE DELIVERY OF SERVICES TO MOTORISTS ON ANY THRUWAY DURING AN EMERGENCY. THE AUTHORITY IS ALSO AUTHORIZED TO REIMBURSE A MUNICIPALITY OR SNOWMOBILE OR OTHER OUTDOOR ORGANIZATION FOR ACTUAL EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE RENDERING OF SUCH SERVICES AS A RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT OR INCIDENT ON SUCH THRUWAY.

S 2. Section 99-r of the general municipal law, as amended by section 2 of part F of chapter 55 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:

S 99-r. Contracts for services. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, the governing board of any municipal corporation may enter into agreements and/or contracts with any state agency including any department, board, bureau, commission, division, office, council, committee, or officer of the state, whether permanent or temporary, or a public benefit corporation or public authority, or a soil and water conservation district, and any unit of the state university of New York, pursuant to and consistent with sections three hundred fifty-five and sixty-three hundred one of the education law within or without such municipal corporation to provide or receive fuel, equipment, maintenance and repair, supplies, water supply, street sweeping or maintenance, sidewalk maintenance, right-of-way maintenance, storm water and other

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

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drainage, sewage disposal, landscaping, mowing, technology services, ASSISTANCE TO MOTORISTS DURING AN EMERGENCY ON ANY THRUWAY AS SUCH TERM 3 IS DEFINED IN SECTION THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE OF THE PUBLIC AUTHORITIES LAW, or any other services of government. Such state agency, soil and water conservation district, or unit of the state university of New York, within the limits of any specific statutory appropriation author-5 6 7 ized and made available therefor by the legislature or by the governing 8 body responsible for the operation of such state agency, soil and water conservation district, or unit of the state university of New York may 9 10 contract with any municipal corporation for such services as herein provided and may provide, in agreements and/or contracts entered 11 pursuant to this section, for the reciprocal provision of services or 12 13 other consideration of approximately equivalent value, including, 14 limited to, routine and/or emergency services, monies, equipment, buildings and facilities, materials or a commitment to provide future 15 routine and/or emergency services, monies, equipment, buildings and 16 facilities or materials. Any such contract may be entered into by direct 17 negotiations and shall not be subject to the provisions of section one 18 19 hundred three of this chapter.

20 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.