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## 2015-2016 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

March 11, 2015

Introduced by Sen. ROBACH -- 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, in relation to vehicles that may travel on the shoulders of controlled-access highways

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

Section 1. Section 1131 of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 162 of the laws of 1990, is amended to read as follows:

S 1131. Driving on shoulders and slopes. Except for bicycles and those classes of vehicles required to travel on shoulders or slopes, no motor vehicle shall be driven over, across, along, or within any shoulder or slope of any state controlled-access highway except at a location specifically authorized and posted by the department of transportation. The foregoing limitation shall not prevent EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND TOW TRUCKS FROM USING SHOULDERS OR SLOPES WHEN DISPATCHED TO THE SCENE OF AN ACCIDENT BY A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY OR AN AUTHORITY, DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY HAVING JURISDICTION OVER SUCH CONTROLLED-ACCESS HIGHWAY NOR SHALL IT PREVENT motor vehicles from using shoulders or slopes when directed by police officers or flagpersons, nor does it prevent motor vehicles

14 from stopping, standing, or parking on shoulders or slopes where such 15 stopping, standing, or parking is lawful.

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S 2. This act take effect immediately.

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

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