S T A T E O F N E W Y O R K

53

2015-2016 Regular Sessions

I N S E N A T E

(PREFILED)

January 7, 2015

Introduced by Sens. HOYLMAN, KRUEGER, PERKINS -- 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 providing that in a city of one million or more flashing purple lights may be affixed to and displayed on buses operated on a bus rapid transit route

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

Section 1. Subdivision 41 of section 375 of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new paragraph 1-a to read as follows:

1-A. IN A CITY WITH A POPULATION OF ONE MILLION OR MORE, FLASHING PURPLE LIGHTS MAY BE AFFIXED TO AND DISPLAYED ON BUSES OPERATED ON A BUS RAPID TRANSIT ROUTE. SUCH FLASHING PURPLE LIGHTS MAY BE USED EXCLUSIVELY BY A BUS DRIVER AUTHORIZED BY THE APPLICABLE MASS TRANSIT AGENCY ON ANY BUS RAPID TRANSIT ROUTE, PROVIDED THAT FLASHING PURPLE LIGHTS MAY NOT BE UTILIZED ON ANY BUS OPERATING ON A BUS RAPID TRANSIT ROUTE WHERE THE BUS FARE IS PAID UPON BOARDING. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH, "BUS RAPID TRANSIT ROUTE" SHALL INCLUDE ROUTES DESIGNATED AS SUCH BY THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE APPLICABLE MASS TRANSIT AGENCY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THOSE ROUTES SPECIFIED IN SECTION ELEVEN HUNDRED ELEVEN-C OF THIS CHAPTER.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

LBD01561-01-5