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Introduced by Sen. LARKIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules -- ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

AN ACT to amend the navigation law, in relation to time restrictions on continuous pilotage on vessels transiting the Hudson River

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

1     Section 1.     Subparagraph 1-a of paragraph (b) of subdivision 4 of  
2     section 89-a of the navigation law, as amended by chapter 482 of the  
3     laws of 2003, is amended to read as follows:  
4     (1-a) All vessels shall pay an additional launch fee and communication  
5     fee. The launch fee shall be set by the board of commissioners of pilots  
6     to recoup the cost of operating a pilot launch and pilot station at  
7     Yonkers. The communication fee shall be set by the board of commission-  
8     ers of pilots to recoup the cost of portable electronic communication  
9     and navigation equipment carried aboard the vessel by the pilot.  
10    All vessels transiting Section 2, Upper River; Yonkers, to beyond Hyde  
11    Park through Albany or Troy shall pay a mid-river launch fee. The mid-  
12    river launch fee shall be set by the board of commissioners of pilots to  
13    recoup the cost of operating a pilot launch and pilot station at Norrie  
14    Point.  
15    The launch fee, communication fee, and mid-river launch fee shall be  
16    reviewed annually by the board of commissioners of pilots on or about  
17    the anniversary date upon which this section shall have become a law.  
18    In the event a vessel transiting the Hudson River requires a contin-  
19    uous pilotage of more than [eight] TEN hours, two pilots shall be  
20    assigned at the beginning of such transit, and the fee shall be the  
21    regular pilotage fee plus fifty percent for the second pilot. The fee  
22    for the second pilot shall not apply when the first pilot is discharged  
23    at the mid-river pilot station and relieved at such station by a second  
24    pilot. A second pilot shall not be required when the vessel anchors for  
25    a minimum of eight hours such that the transit does not require a  
26    continuous pilotage of more than [eight] TEN hours by one pilot.

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

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1     S 2. This act shall take effect on the same date and in the same  
2 manner as a chapter of the laws of 2015, amending the navigation law,  
3 relating to time restrictions on continuous pilotage on vessels transit-  
4 ing the Hudson River, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S.3951-B  
5 and A.857-B takes effect.