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Introduced by M. of A. GANTT -- read once and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to providing certain school bus operators with a refund or credit of sales and compensating use taxes on the purchase of school buses and equipment and fuel used in the operation of a school bus

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 1119 of the tax law is amended by adding a new  
2 subdivision (g) to read as follows:

3 (g) Subject to the conditions and limitations provided in this subdivi-  
4 vision, a refund or credit shall be allowed for tax paid pursuant to  
5 subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred five, paragraph three of  
6 subdivision (c) of section eleven hundred five, or section eleven  
7 hundred ten of this article and any tax imposed pursuant to the authori-  
8 ty of article twenty-nine of this chapter, on the sale to or purchase by  
9 a school bus operator of (i) a school bus, as defined in section one  
10 hundred forty-two of the vehicle and traffic law, at least seventy  
11 percent of the use of which is for the transportation, by such operator,  
12 of school students to or from school or school related events, pursuant  
13 to a contract made under the provisions of the education law, (ii)  
14 parts, equipment and lubricants when such parts, equipment and lubri-  
15 cants are installed in or on such a school bus, at least seventy percent  
16 of the use of which is for such transportation, by such operator, pursu-  
17 ant to such contract, (iii) the services described in paragraph three of  
18 subdivision (c) of section eleven hundred five of this article when  
19 rendered with respect to such a school bus so used or with respect to  
20 parts, equipment and lubricants installed in or on such a school bus so  
21 used, and (iv) motor fuel or diesel motor fuel used exclusively by such  
22 operator in such a school bus for such transportation pursuant to such

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

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1 contract. No refund or credit shall be allowed under this subdivision  
2 unless all of the requirements for such refund or credit have been met  
3 for at least a twelve month period after the school bus operator's  
4 purchase of such school bus; however, such refund or credit shall be  
5 allowed for a school bus that is painted "national school bus chrome"  
6 pursuant to subdivision twenty-one of section three hundred seventy-five  
7 of the vehicle and traffic law and labeled as a "SCHOOL BUS" pursuant to  
8 subparagraph one of paragraph (b) of subdivision twenty of such section  
9 three hundred seventy-five if all of the requirements for such refund or  
10 credit have been met in the previous quarterly reporting period as  
11 described in subdivision (b) of section eleven hundred thirty-six of  
12 this article. An application for a refund or credit pursuant to this  
13 subdivision must be filed with the commissioner within the time provided  
14 by subdivision (a) of section eleven hundred thirty-nine of this article  
15 and no more frequently than quarterly. Such application shall be in  
16 such form as the commissioner may prescribe. Where an application for  
17 credit has been filed, the school bus operator may take such credit on  
18 the return which is due coincident with or immediately subsequent to the  
19 time the school bus operator files such application for credit. Howev-  
20 er, the taking of the credit on the return shall be deemed to be part of  
21 the application for credit and shall be subject to the provisions in  
22 respect to applications for credit in such section eleven hundred thir-  
23 ty-nine as provided in subdivision (e) of such section. The allowance  
24 of the credit or refund shall also be subject to the school bus operator  
25 maintaining records satisfactory to the commissioner demonstrating  
26 compliance with all the requirements of this subdivision. The percent-  
27 age of such school bus use may be computed either on the basis of mile-  
28 age or hours of use, at the discretion of the purchaser or user. For the  
29 purposes of this subdivision, the term "school" shall mean a pre-kinder-  
30 garten or kindergarten program, a preschool, nursery school or elementa-  
31 ry, intermediate or secondary school. The refund or credit shall be  
32 fifty percent for the period commencing September first, two thousand  
33 eighteen to August thirty-first, two thousand nineteen. The refund or  
34 credit shall be one hundred percent commencing September first, two  
35 thousand nineteen.

36 § 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the sales tax  
37 quarterly period, as described in subdivision (b) of section 1136 of the  
38 tax law, next commencing September 1, 2018 and shall apply in accordance  
39 with the applicable transitional provisions in sections 1106 and 1217 of  
40 the tax law; provided, further, that the commissioner of taxation and  
41 finance shall be authorized on and after the date this act shall have  
42 become a law to adopt and amend any rules or regulations and issue any  
43 procedure, forms or instructions necessary to implement this act on its  
44 effective date.