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Introduced by M. of A. CUSICK -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions -- recommitted to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend chapter 182 of the laws of 1960 amending the highway law relating to providing that the Narrows Bridge shall be designated and known as "the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge", in relation to making a technical correction thereto; and to amend the state law, the highway law, the navigation law, the environmental conservation law, the public authorities law, and the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the Verrazzano-Narrows bridge

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

1 Section 1. Section 1 of chapter 182 of the laws of 1960 amending the
2 highway law relating to providing that the Narrows Bridge shall be
3 designated and known as "the Verrazano-Narrows bridge", is amended to
4 read as follows:

5 Section 1. In recognition of the bold explorations of Giovanni da
6 [~~Verrazano~~ Verrazzano and his discovery of New York harbor in fifteen
7 hundred twenty-four, the bridge to be constructed between Staten Island
8 and Long Island, sometimes referred to as the Narrows bridge or the
9 Brooklyn Richmond project, shall upon construction be designated and
10 known as "The [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~ Verrazzano-Narrows Bridge"

11 § 2. Subdivision 46 of section 121 of the state law, as added by chap-
12 ter 16 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

13 46. Forty-sixth district. In the county of Kings, the part of the
14 borough of Brooklyn bounded by a line described as follows: Beginning at
15 a point where Shore Road and 83rd Street meet, thence easterly along
16 said street to Narrows Avenue, thence northerly along said avenue to
17 81st Street, thence easterly along said street to Colonial Road, thence

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

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1 northerly along said road to 80th Street, thence easterly along said
2 street to Ridge Boulevard, thence northerly along said boulevard to 78th
3 Street, thence easterly along said street to 3rd Avenue, thence southerly
4 ly along said avenue to 79th Street, thence southeasterly along said
5 street to 7th Avenue southbound, thence northerly along said avenue to
6 Ovington Avenue, thence southeasterly along said avenue to 8th Avenue,
7 thence southwesterly along said avenue to 71st Street, thence southeast-
8 erly along said street to Fort Hamilton Parkway, thence northeasterly
9 along said parkway to Bay Ridge Avenue, thence southeasterly along said
10 avenue to 10th Avenue, thence southwesterly along said avenue to 74th
11 Street, thence southeasterly along said street to 12th Avenue, thence
12 southwesterly along said avenue to 78th Street, thence southeasterly
13 along said street to 13th Avenue, thence southwesterly along said avenue
14 to 79th Street, thence northwesterly along said street to 12th Avenue,
15 thence southwesterly along said avenue to 81st Street, thence southeast-
16 erly along said street to 13th Avenue, thence southwesterly along said
17 avenue to 82nd Street, thence southeasterly along said street to 14th
18 Avenue, thence southwesterly along said avenue to Benson Avenue, thence
19 southeasterly along said avenue to 16th Avenue, thence southwesterly
20 along said avenue to Cropsey Avenue, thence southeasterly along said
21 avenue to Bay 13th Street, thence southwesterly along said street to
22 Shore Parkway North, thence southeasterly along said parkway to a point
23 on a line extended easterly from the Belt Parkway to the point where
24 Shore Parkway meets 21st Avenue, thence westerly along said line to the
25 Belt Parkway, thence southeasterly along said parkway to a point where a
26 line extended south from Bayview Place meets the Belt Parkway, thence
27 northerly along said line extended to a point on a line extended
28 northwesterly from the end of Shore Road, thence southeasterly along
29 said line extended to Shore Road, thence southerly along said road to
30 Bay 50th Street, thence northeasterly along said street to Cropsey
31 Avenue, thence southerly along said avenue to Bay 50th Street, thence
32 northeasterly along said street to West 16th Street, thence southerly
33 along said street to Avenue Z, thence easterly along said avenue to West
34 15th Street, thence southerly along said street to Shore Parkway North,
35 thence southeasterly along said parkway to Stillwell Avenue, thence
36 southerly along said avenue to Belt Parkway, thence easterly along said
37 parkway to New York City Transit tracks (N Line), thence northerly along
38 said tracks to a point on a line extended northwesterly from the end of
39 Shore Parkway, thence southeasterly along said line to Shore Parkway
40 North, thence easterly along said parkway to Shell Road, thence northerly
41 ly along said road to Avenue Z, thence easterly along said avenue to
42 West Street, thence northerly along said street to Avenue Y, thence
43 easterly along said avenue to Ocean Parkway, thence southerly along said
44 parkway to Shore Parkway South, thence easterly along said parkway to
45 Brighton 3rd Street, thence southerly along said street to Neptune
46 Avenue, thence easterly along said avenue to Brighton 4th Street, thence
47 southerly along said street to Ocean View Avenue, thence easterly along
48 said avenue to Brighton 5th Street, thence southerly along said street
49 to Brightwater Court, thence easterly along said court to Brighton 6th
50 Street, thence southerly along said street to Boardwalk East, thence
51 easterly along said boardwalk to a point on a line extended northerly
52 from the border of Kings/Queens County to Coney Island Avenue, thence
53 southerly along said line extended to the border of Kings/Queens county
54 line, thence westerly along said line to Kings/Richmond county line,
55 thence northerly along said line to the [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~] Verrazano-
56 Narrows Bridge, thence easterly along said bridge to a point on a line

1 extended southwesterly to the [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~] Verrazzano-Narrows
2 Bridge, thence northeasterly along said line extended to 4th Avenue and
3 Shore Road to its intersection with 83rd Street, thence northerly along
4 Shore Road to the point and place of beginning.

5 § 3. The paragraph relating to interstate route connection 512 of
6 section 340-a of the highway law, as amended by chapter 453 of the laws
7 of 2008, is amended to read as follows:

8 Interstate Route Connection 512. Staten Island expressway from
9 Goethals bridge approach to [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~] Verrazzano-Narrows
10 bridge approach, Brooklyn-Queens expressway from [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~]
11 Verrazzano-Narrows bridge approach to Grand Central parkway, Grand
12 Central parkway from Brooklyn-Queens expressway to Robert F. Kennedy
13 bridge approach, Major Deegan expressway from Robert F. Kennedy bridge
14 approach to the Westchester county line connecting with interstate route
15 502.

16 § 4. Section 343-h of the highway law, as amended by chapter 97 of the
17 laws of 1998 and as renumbered by chapter 14 of the laws of 1999, is
18 amended to read as follows:

19 § 343-h. Portion of the state highway system to be designated as the
20 "POW-MIA Memorial Highway". All that portion of the state highway system
21 located in Richmond county constituting route 278 from the Goethals
22 bridge to the [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~] Verrazzano-Narrows bridge (Staten
23 Island Expressway) shall be designated and known as the "POW-MIA Memori-
24 al Highway".

25 § 5. Section 349-f of the highway law, as amended by chapter 558 of
26 the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

27 § 349-f. New York city routes. The following existing or proposed main
28 routes or thoroughfares, are designated herein, as aforesaid, viz.:

29 New England thruway from the Westchester county line to Bruckner
30 expressway; Bruckner expressway from New England thruway to Robert F.
31 Kennedy bridge approach; Hutchinson river parkway from the Westchester
32 county line to the Bronx-Whitestone bridge approach; Bronx river parkway
33 from the Westchester county line to Bruckner expressway; Henry Hudson
34 parkway from the Westchester county line to Miller highway excepting the
35 Henry Hudson bridge, provided that no portion of this route from West
36 Seventy-second street to the Cross Bronx expressway shall be constructed
37 or reconstructed so as to encroach in any way on or over any land mapped
38 or used for park purposes except for such temporary encroachment of no
39 more than ten feet in width from seventy-third street to seventy-sixth
40 street as may be essential during and for the purpose of reconstruction
41 or repair of the existing roadway following which there shall be full
42 restoration of park land; Major Deegan expressway from the Robert F.
43 Kennedy bridge to Central Park avenue at the Westchester county line
44 together with a connection to Broadway and along Broadway to Manhattan
45 college parkway; Cross Bronx expressway from George Washington bridge
46 approach to Throgs Neck bridge; Throgs Neck expressway from Bruckner
47 expressway to Throgs Neck bridge; Arthur V. Sheridan expressway from
48 Cross-Bronx expressway to Bruckner expressway; Mosholu parkway from
49 Henry Hudson parkway to Bronx river parkway; Bronx and Pelham parkway
50 from Bronx river parkway to New England thruway; Boston road from Bronx
51 and Pelham parkway to New England thruway; Miller highway from Henry
52 Hudson parkway to the Hugh L. Carey tunnel; and from Hugh L. Carey
53 tunnel to Brooklyn-Queens expressway; Franklin D. Roosevelt drive from
54 the Hugh L. Carey tunnel to Robert F. Kennedy bridge approach; Harlem
55 river drive from Robert F. Kennedy bridge approach to George Washington
56 bridge approach; Belt parkway including Gowanus parkway to Third avenue

1 and Sixtieth street, Leif Erikson drive to Knapp street, Shore parkway,
2 Belt parkway, Southern parkway and Cross Island parkway from Hugh L.
3 Carey tunnel to Bronx-Whitestone bridge approach; Nassau expressway from
4 Southern parkway to the Nassau county line; Brooklyn-Queens expressway
5 from Gowanus expressway to Grand Central parkway; Prospect expressway
6 from Gowanus expressway to Ocean parkway; Ocean parkway from Prospect
7 expressway to Shore parkway; Interborough parkway from Grand Central
8 Parkway to Belt parkway; Gowanus expressway from the [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~]
9 Verrazzano-Narrows bridge to Third avenue at Gowanus parkway; Third
10 Avenue from Gowanus expressway to Hamilton avenue; Hamilton Avenue from
11 Third Avenue to Hugh L. Carey tunnel; Queens boulevard from Queensbor-
12 ough bridge approach to Van Wyck expressway; Van Wyck expressway from
13 Whitestone expressway, including a connection to Grand Central parkway,
14 to John F. Kennedy international airport; Woodhaven boulevard from
15 Queens boulevard to Cross Bay parkway bridge northerly approach; Cross
16 Bay parkway from Cross Bay bridge southerly approach to Short Front
17 parkway; Shore Front parkway from Cross Bay parkway generally along the
18 shore line of the Atlantic ocean to the Nassau expressway at the Nassau
19 county line; Queens-Midtown expressway from Queens-Midtown tunnel
20 approach to Queens Boulevard; Horace Harding expressway from Queens
21 Boulevard to the Nassau county line; a connection between Brooklyn-
22 Queens expressway and Northern boulevard in the vicinity of Grand
23 Central parkway; Grand Central parkway from Robert F. Kennedy bridge
24 approach to Nassau county line; Whitestone expressway from Bronx-White-
25 stone bridge approach to Van Wyck expressway and continuing to Grand
26 Central parkway; Clearview expressway from Throgs Neck bridge to Nassau
27 expressway; Richmond parkway from Staten Island expressway to Outer-
28 bridge crossing approach; Staten Island expressway from Goethals bridge
29 to the [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~] Verrazzano-Narrows bridge with a connection
30 to Bayonne bridge; Willowbrook parkway from Staten Island expressway to
31 Great Kills park; West Shore expressway from Staten Island expressway to
32 Outerbridge crossing; Shore Front drive northerly from the terminus of
33 West Shore expressway at Staten Island expressway, thence generally
34 along the shore lines of Kill Van Kull, the Narrows, Lower New York bay
35 and Raritan bay to the approach to Outerbridge crossing.

36 § 6. Section 91-a of the navigation law, as amended by chapter 197 of
37 the laws of 1990, is amended to read as follows:

38 § 91-a. Licensing of Hudson river pilots. The commissioners, or a
39 majority of them, shall license, for such terms as they may think prop-
40 er, as many pilots as they may deem necessary to pilot ships through
41 that portion of the Hudson river specified in this act, the continuation
42 of the Hudson river, and the main ship channel of the Upper bay, New
43 York harbor, east of a line from Robbins reef light to the tower at
44 Staten Island borough hall and down to the [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~] Verrazza-
45 no-Narrows Bridge, and such commissioners may specify in such licenses
46 different degrees of qualifications appropriate to different parts or
47 branches of pilot duty, according to the competency of the applicant.

48 § 7. Subdivision 1 of section 11-0306 of the environmental conserva-
49 tion law, as added by chapter 612 of the laws of 1987, is amended to
50 read as follows:

51 1. There is established a Hudson River estuarine district which shall
52 include the tidal waters of the Hudson River, including the tidal waters
53 of its tributaries and wetlands from the federal lock and dam at Troy to
54 the [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~] Verrazzano-Narrows.

55 § 8. Section 553-f of the public authorities law, as amended by chap-
56 ter 2 of the laws of 1993, is amended to read as follows:

1 § 553-f. Tokens. Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of law,
2 but subject to agreements with noteholders and bondholders, the authori-
3 ty shall offer for sale tokens with respect to residents of the county
4 of Richmond and may, except as otherwise provided herein, regulate the
5 use thereof. Tokens for residents of the county of Richmond shall enti-
6 tle the purchaser to crossings over the [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~] Verrazzano-
7 Narrows bridge at a reduced cost of eighty per centum of the regular
8 crossing fare imposed on nonresidents of the county of Richmond. In the
9 event the authority shall impose a surcharge in addition to the regular
10 toll for crossings over the [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~] Verrazzano-Narrows
11 bridge, such surcharge shall not be deemed a part of the regular cross-
12 ing fare for purposes of this section, and the tokens offered for sale
13 to the residents of the county of Richmond as herein provided shall also
14 entitle the purchaser to a permanent exemption from the payment of any
15 such surcharge in an amount equal to the amount of any such surcharge
16 imposed during calendar year nineteen hundred ninety-three. Application
17 for such tokens or other payment devices shall be made in such manner as
18 prescribed by the authority and shall contain such information as the
19 authority may reasonably require.

20 § 9. Paragraph 35 of subdivision a of section 3-202 of the administra-
21 tive code of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

22 35. Thirty-fifth District

23 That part of the Borough of Staten Island bounded by a line described
24 as follows:

25 BEGINNING at a point in waters of Arthur Kill between border lines of
26 New Jersey, and Richmond County, at Goethals Bridge, proceeding south-
27 east, to Railroad cut, then proceeding east, to Gulf Avenue, to Staten
28 Island Expressway, to Bengal Avenue, to Fahy Avenue, to Arlene Street,
29 to Lander Avenue, to Richmond Avenue, to Victory Boulevard, to Willow-
30 brook Road, to Watchogue Road, to Victory Boulevard, to Manor Road, to
31 Ocean Terrace, to Todt Hill Road, to Richmond Road, proceeding norther-
32 ly, to Cromwell Avenue, to Hylan Boulevard, to Old Town Road, to Staten
33 Island Rapid Transit Line, proceeding north on Staten Island Rapid Tran-
34 sit Line, to West Fingerboard Road, to Steuben Street, to Hylan Boule-
35 vard, to Hickory Avenue, to McClean Avenue, to Lily Pond Avenue,
36 extended to waters of Atlantic Ocean; thence northerly and westerly
37 through the Narrows, through the Kill Van Kull Waters, including the
38 entire part of the City of New York known as Snooter's Island, to the
39 waters of the Arthur Kill, to the point or place of beginning; this
40 district is further intended to include that part of the Borough of
41 Brooklyn bounded by a line described as follows:

42 BEGINNING at a point at the Brooklyn borough line in the waters of
43 Gravesend Bay at Twenty-sixth Avenue, extended to Harway Avenue, to
44 Stillwell Avenue, to Avenue U, to West Ninth Street, to Avenue T, to
45 West Twelfth Street, to Kings Highway, to Bay Parkway, to Seventy-sev-
46 enth Street, to Twentieth Avenue, to Benson Avenue, to Eighteenth
47 Avenue, to Cropsey Avenue, to Bay Nineteenth Street, to Shore Parkway,
48 to Shore Road extension, to Bay Eighth Street, to Cropsey Avenue, to
49 Fourteenth Avenue, to Poly Place, to Battery Avenue, thence northerly
50 and westerly along the border of the United States Government reserva-
51 tion known as Fort Hamilton, to Gowanus Expressway, to Fort Hamilton
52 Parkway, to One Hundred First Street, to Fourth Avenue, extended in the
53 waters of The Narrows, at the Brooklyn borough line, thence projected
54 into the waters of the Lower Bay, on the north side of and parallel to
55 the [~~Verrazano-Narrows~~] Verrazzano-Narrows Bridge thence southerly and
56 easterly to the point or place of beginning.

1 § 10. The New York state department of transportation, the New York
2 city department of transportation and the metropolitan transportation
3 authority shall provide for the installation and maintenance of adequate
4 signage in conformance with this act within such time and in such manner
5 as they shall deem appropriate, provided that such time does not exceed
6 one hundred eighty days after the effective date of this act. However,
7 to avoid confusion and to limit any possible disruption of commerce, the
8 designations called for pursuant to this act shall be one of ceremonial
9 nature and the official name of such bridge shall not be changed as a
10 result of this act.

11 § 11. Terms occurring in laws, regulations, contracts and other docu-
12 ments. Whenever Verrazano-Narrows Bridge or Verrazano Narrows Bridge is
13 referred to or designated in any law, regulation, contract or document,
14 such reference or designation shall be deemed to refer to the Verrazza-
15 no-Narrows Bridge, and no such laws, regulations, contracts or other
16 documents shall be thereby impaired in any way.

17 § 12. This act shall take effect immediately.