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Introduced by M. of A. DenDEKKER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to direct the metropolitan transportation authority to study the feasibility and impact of installing sliding access doors on subway platforms, ensure proper operation of security cameras and install instant communications devices

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

Section 1. The metropolitan transportation authority shall conduct a study to examine the feasibility and impact of the installation of sliding access doors upon platforms at subway facilities operated by such authority including, but not limited to the following issues:

(a) increased benefits to the safety of customers;

(b) the likelihood of fatality prevention; and

(c) the fiscal impact of installation.

§ 2. The metropolitan transportation authority shall ensure proper operation of all security cameras at all subway stations operated by such authority.

Such authority is further directed to publish an annual report relating to the proper operation of security cameras at subway stations, which shall include, but not be limited, to the following:

(a) the total number of systemwide incidents of security camera failures occurring within a calendar year, as well as a metric indicating the percentage of all systemwide security cameras having failed at a point during a calendar year;

(b) the length of time that each security camera experiencing a failure was malfunctioning for;

(c) whether negligence on the part of metropolitan transportation authority staff was a contributing factor to the failure of a specific security camera;

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

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(d) whether negligence on the part of the metropolitan transportation authority staff was a contributing factor to the time elapsed between the failure of a security camera and its reinstatement to proper operation; and

(e) a list of security camera failures occurring within the calendar year, delineated by each subway station operated by the authority.

§ 3. The metropolitan transportation authority shall:

(a) install instant communications devices, commonly referred to as "help point" systems, at all subway stations operated by such authority;

(b) develop policies and procedures relative to customer use of instant communications devices to contact rail control centers overseeing subway traffic;

(c) annually publish information, on or before December thirty-first, that indicates how many subway stations operated by the metropolitan transportation authority have undergone installation of instant communications devices, until such time as all subway stations have undergone installation of instant communications devices; and

(d) within ninety days of the effective date of this act, publish a timetable including the date by which the metropolitan transportation authority expects to complete installation of instant communications devices at all subway stations in its system.

§ 4. This act shall take effect immediately.