Introduced by Sen. PERALTA -- 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 photo speed violation monitoring systems in school speed zones in the city of New York; to amend chapter 189 of the laws of 2013, amending the vehicle and traffic law and the public officers law relating to establishing in a city with a population of one million people or more a demonstration program implementing speed violation monitoring systems in school zones by means of photo devices, and chapter 43 of the laws of 2014, amending the vehicle and traffic law, the public officers law and the general municipal law relating to photo speed violation monitoring systems in school speed zones in the city of New York, in relation to the effectiveness thereof.

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

1. Section 1. Paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 1180-b of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 43 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:

1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the city of New York is hereby authorized to establish a demonstration program imposing monetary liability on the owner of a vehicle for failure of an operator thereof to comply with posted maximum speed limits in a school speed zone within the city (i) when a school speed limit is in effect as provided in paragraphs one and two of subdivision (c) of section eleven hundred eighty of this article or (ii) when other speed limits are in effect as provided in subdivision (b), (d), (f) or (g) of such section eleven hundred eighty of this article [during the following times: (A) on school days during school hours and one hour before and one hour after the school day, and (B) during student activities at the school and up to thirty minutes immediately before and up to thirty minutes immediately after such student activities] between the hours of six o'clock A.M. and

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [−] is old law to be omitted.
Such demonstration program shall empower the city of New York to install photo speed violation monitoring systems within no more than [one-hundred-forty] seven hundred fifty school speed zones within [the] such city at any one time and to operate such systems within such zones (iii) when a school speed limit is in effect as provided in paragraphs one and two of subdivision (c) of section eleven hundred eighty of this article or (iv) when other speed limits are in effect as provided in subdivision (b), (d), (f) or (g) of section eleven hundred eighty of this article [during the following times: (A) on school days during school hours and one hour before and one hour after the school day, and (B) a period during student activities at the school and up to thirty minutes immediately before and up to thirty minutes immediately after such student activities] between the hours of six o'clock A.M. and ten o'clock P.M.

In selecting a school speed zone in which to install and operate a photo speed violation monitoring system, the city of New York shall consider criteria including, but not limited to, the speed data, crash history, and the roadway geometry applicable to such school speed zone. A photo speed violation monitoring system shall not be installed or operated on a controlled-access highway exit ramp or within three hundred feet along a highway that continues from the end of a controlled-access highway exit ramp.

§ 2. Paragraph 2 of subdivision (a) of section 1180-b of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 189 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

2. No photo speed violation monitoring system shall be used in a school speed zone unless (i) on the day it is to be used it has successfully passed a self-test of its functions; and (ii) it has undergone an annual calibration check performed pursuant to paragraph four of this subdivision. The city [may] shall install signs giving notice that a photo speed violation monitoring system is in use to be mounted on advance warning signs notifying motor vehicle operators of such upcoming school speed zone and/or on speed limit signs applicable within or approaching such school speed zone, provided that such speed limit signs shall be no more than three hundred feet from such school speed zone, in conformance with standards established in the MUTCD.

§ 3. Paragraph 4 of subdivision (c) of section 1180-b of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 189 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

4. "school speed zone" shall mean a radial distance not to exceed [one thousand three hundred twenty feet on a highway passing] two thousand six hundred forty feet from a school building, entrance, or exit of a school abutting on the highway.

§ 4. The opening paragraph of section 12 of chapter 43 of the laws of 2014, amending the vehicle and traffic law, the public officers law and the general municipal law relating to photo speed violation monitoring systems in school speed zones in the city of New York, is amended to read as follows:

This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law [and]; provided that sections one through ten of this act shall expire 4 years after such effective date when upon such date the provisions of this act shall be deemed repealed; and provided further that any rules necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date shall be promulgated on or before such effective date, provided that:

§ 5. The opening paragraph of section 15 of chapter 189 of the laws of 2013, amending the vehicle and traffic law and the public officers law
relating to establishing in a city with a population of one million
people or more a demonstration program implementing speed violation
monitoring systems in school zones by means of photo devices, is amended
to read as follows:
This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have
become a law and shall expire [5 years after such effective date when
upon such date the provisions of this act shall] and be deemed repealed
July 1, 2022; and provided further that any rules necessary for the
implementation of this act on its effective date shall be promulgated on
or before such effective date, provided that:
§ 6. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that the amend-
ments to section 1180-b of the vehicle and traffic law made by sections
one, two and three of this act shall not affect the repeal of such
section and shall be deemed repealed therewith.