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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. COOK, TITUS, ORTIZ, SEPULVEDA -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. DenDEKKER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to requiring police officers to notify family members in person of a relative's death in certain circumstances

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

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Valeria's law".
§ 2. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new section 603-c to read as follows:
§ 603-c. Accidents; police to notify in person. 1. In each motor vehicle accident or any other event or incident in which any person is killed, who was not in violation of any law, rules, regulations, procedures or summons, the police officer, agency or individual who, in the regular course of duty, investigates such accident, event or incident shall use reasonable efforts to identify and notify in person, a member of the person's family or household of the fatality as soon as practicable after such accident, event or incident.
2. Such notification shall indicate that the person was killed, the location of the accident, event or incident and the location of the person's body or remains.
§ 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

