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Introduced by M. of A. DenDEKKER, CRESPO, ORTIZ, WEPRIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Cities -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to clean air taxicabs

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

1 Section 1. Legislative intent. The legislature finds that, to promote
2 the safety and well-being of all New Yorkers who live in or visit New
3 York city, there is a need to have fuel efficient, low emission and zero
4 emission options available for taxis. The current regulations that apply
5 to taxi vehicles has resulted in the selection of vehicles that have
6 high fuel usage and emissions. This policy must be changed to add more
7 fuel-efficient and lower emission choices.

8 § 2. Section 19-502 of the administrative code of the city of New York
9 is amended by adding two new subdivisions dd and ee to read as follows:

10 dd. "Hybrid electric vehicle" means a commercially available mass
11 production vehicle originally equipped by the manufacturer with a
12 combustion engine system and electric propulsion system that operate in
13 an integrated manner.

14 ee. "Clean air taxis" means all taxicabs that are hybrid electric
15 vehicles or electric vehicles.

16 § 3. Section 19-533 of the administrative code of the city of New
17 York, as amended by local law 53 of the city of New York for the year
18 2006, is amended to read as follows:

19 § 19-533 Clean air taxis. [~~The commission shall approve one or more~~
20 ~~hybrid electric vehicle models for use as a taxicab within ninety days~~
21 ~~after the enactment of this law. The approved] The commission shall
22 permit all hybrid electric and electric models of vehicles to be used as
23 a taxicab that also meet all requirements for use as a for-hire vehicle.~~

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

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1 Such vehicle model or models shall be eligible for immediate use by all
2 current and future medallion owners. For the purposes of this chapter, a
3 hybrid electric vehicle shall be defined as a commercially available
4 mass production vehicle originally equipped by the manufacturer with a
5 combustion engine system together with an electric propulsion system
6 that operates in an integrated manner.

7 § 4. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
8 have become a law; provided, however, that the New York city taxi and
9 limousine commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary
10 to effectuate this act prior to such effective date.