STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 18, 2018

Introduced by M. of A. PERRY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to right of way for vehicles traveling in adjacent lanes

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 "the yield to the driver ahead act".

§ 2. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new section 1147 to read as follows:

§ 1147. Vehicle merging into an adjacent lane. (a) The driver of a vehicle on any roadway which has been divided into two or more clearly marked lanes for traffic to travel in the same direction shall yield the right of way to all vehicles which have given an appropriate signal of intention to merge right or left and shall not increase the speed of their vehicle until such merge has been completed.

(b) The driver of a vehicle on any roadway where an obstacle has blocked one or more lanes shall yield the right of way to all vehicles seeking to avoid such obstacle.

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law; provided that any rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this act on its effective date are authorized and directed to be promulgated and shall become effective on such date.

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

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