

STATE OF NEW YORK

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A. 5261

2017-2018 Regular Sessions

SENATE - ASSEMBLY

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IN SENATE -- Introduced by Sen. ALCANTARA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Finance

IN ASSEMBLY -- Introduced by M. of A. DE LA ROSA -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to the creation of a "yellow alert system"

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

1 Section 1. Section 221 of the executive law is amended by adding a new
2 subdivision 4 to read as follows:

3 4. When any police officer, peace officer or police agency in the
4 state shall receive a report of a hit-and-run incident from which a
5 person has been killed or suffered serious bodily injury and there is a
6 description of the vehicle or vehicles involved, such police officer,
7 peace officer or police agency shall, as appropriate, cause information
8 concerning any such vehicle or vehicles and the person or persons
9 suspected of driving such vehicle or vehicles to be promptly dispatched
10 over the police communication system so as to be broadcast publicly.
11 Such broadcast may be by means of, but not limited to: e-mail notifica-
12 tions; highway signs; text messages; telephone calls; television; or
13 radio. Police agencies not connected with the basic system may transmit
14 such information to the nearest or most convenient electronic entry
15 point, from which point it shall be promptly dispatched, in conformity
16 with the orders, rules or regulations governing the system. No dispatch
17 or transmission of a report concerning any such vehicle shall be
18 required by this subdivision if the investigating police department
19 advises, in its discretion, that the release of such information may
20 jeopardize the investigation or the safety of the victim, or requests a
21 reasonable forbearance for any reason.

22 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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