

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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2017-2018 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

April 26, 2017

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

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to the crime of assault of an operator of a for-hire vehicle

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

1 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "taxi driver protection act".

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3 § 2. Section 60.07 of the penal law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3 to read as follows:

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5 3. Every for-hire vehicle shall post a sign on the interior of such  
6 vehicle stating in not less than sixteen point print that "ATTENTION:  
7 Assaulting A Taxi Driver Is Punishable By Up To Twenty-Five Years In  
8 Prison".

9 § 3. Subdivision 11 of section 120.05 of the penal law, as separately  
10 amended by chapters 268 and 281 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read  
11 as follows:

12 11. With intent to cause physical injury to a train operator, ticket  
13 inspector, conductor, signalperson, bus operator, station agent, station  
14 cleaner or terminal cleaner employed by any transit agency, authority or  
15 company, public or private, whose operation is authorized by New York  
16 state or any of its political subdivisions, a city marshal, a school  
17 crossing guard appointed pursuant to section two hundred eight-a of the  
18 general municipal law, a traffic enforcement officer, traffic enforcement  
19 agent, prosecutor as defined in subdivision thirty-one of section  
20 1.20 of the criminal procedure law, sanitation enforcement agent, New  
21 York city sanitation worker, public health sanitarian, New York city  
22 public health sanitarian, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse,  
23 emergency medical service paramedic, [~~or~~] emergency medical service  
24 technician or for-hire driver, he or she causes physical injury to such  
25 train operator, ticket inspector, conductor, signalperson, bus operator,

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

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1 station agent, station cleaner or terminal cleaner, city marshal, school  
2 crossing guard appointed pursuant to section two hundred eight-a of the  
3 general municipal law, traffic enforcement officer, traffic enforcement  
4 agent, prosecutor as defined in subdivision thirty-one of section 1.20  
5 of the criminal procedure law, registered nurse, licensed practical  
6 nurse, public health sanitarian, New York city public health sanitarian,  
7 sanitation enforcement agent, New York city sanitation worker, emergency  
8 medical service paramedic, [~~or~~] emergency medical service technician or  
9 for-hire driver, while such employee is performing an assigned duty on,  
10 or directly related to, the operation of a train or bus, including the  
11 cleaning of a train or bus station or terminal, or such city marshal,  
12 school crossing guard, traffic enforcement officer, traffic enforcement  
13 agent, prosecutor as defined in subdivision thirty-one of section 1.20  
14 of the criminal procedure law, registered nurse, licensed practical  
15 nurse, public health sanitarian, New York city public health sanitarian,  
16 sanitation enforcement agent, New York city sanitation worker, emergency  
17 medical service paramedic, [~~or~~] emergency medical service technician or  
18 for-hire driver is performing an assigned duty; or

19 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately; provided however that  
20 section three of this act shall take effect on the first of November  
21 next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.