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January 31, 2019

Introduced by Sens. GAUGHRAN, KAMINSKY -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to requiring charter buses to use commercial global positioning system technology

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

Section 1. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new section 509-dd to read as follows:

§ 509-dd. Additional requirements for charter buses. (1) No driver shall operate a charter bus and a motor carrier shall not permit a driver to operate a charter bus without the use of commercial global positioning system (GPS) technology.

(2) For the purposes of this section:

(a) "Charter bus" shall mean a bus transporting passengers for compensation in chartered party.

(b) "Chartered party" shall mean a group of persons who, pursuant to a common purpose and under a single contract and at a fixed charge, have acquired exclusive use of a bus to travel together as a group to a specific destination or for a particular itinerary either agreed upon in advance or modified after having left the place of origin by such group.

(c) "Commercial global positioning system (GPS) technology" shall mean global positioning system (GPS) technology which has been specifically designed to assist in the navigation of commercial motor vehicles which includes, but is not limited to, selection of routes which take into account the minimum clearance of such motor vehicle.

§ 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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