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AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to photo speed violation monitoring systems in school speed zones in the city of New York; to amend chapter 43 of the laws of 2014, amending the vehicle and traffic law, the public officers law and the general municipal law relating to photo speed violation monitoring systems in school speed zones in the city of New York, in relation to making technical corrections thereto; and to amend chapter 189 of the laws of 2013, amending the vehicle and traffic law and the public officers law relating to establishing in a city with a population of one million or more a demonstration program implementing speed violation monitoring systems in school speed zones by means of photo devices, in relation to the effectiveness thereof

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 1180-b of the
2 vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 43 of the laws of 2014,
3 is amended to read as follows:
4 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the city of New York is
5 hereby authorized to establish a demonstration program imposing monetary
6 liability on the owner of a vehicle for failure of an operator thereof
7 to comply with posted maximum speed limits in a school speed zone within
8 [~~the~~ such city (i) when a school speed limit is in effect as provided
9 in paragraphs one and two of subdivision (c) of section eleven hundred
10 eighty of this article or (ii) when other speed limits are in effect as
11 provided in subdivision (b), (d), (f) or (g) of section eleven hundred
12 eighty of this article [~~during the following times: (A) on school days~~

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

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~~during school hours and one hour before and one hour after the school day, and (B) a period during student activities at the school and up to thirty minutes immediately before and up to thirty minutes immediately after such student activities]~~ weekdays between the hours of six o'clock A.M. and ten o'clock P.M. Such demonstration program shall empower the city of New York to install photo speed violation monitoring systems within no more than ~~[one hundred forty]~~ seven hundred fifty school speed zones within ~~[the]~~ such city at any one time and to operate such systems within such zones (iii) when a school speed limit is in effect as provided in paragraphs one and two of subdivision (c) of section eleven hundred eighty of this article or (iv) when other speed limits are in effect as provided in subdivision (b), (d), (f) or (g) of section eleven hundred eighty of this article ~~[during the following times: (A) on school days during school hours and one hour before and one hour after the school day, and (B) a period during student activities at the school and up to thirty minutes immediately before and up to thirty minutes immediately after such student activities]~~ weekdays between the hours of six o'clock A.M. and ten o'clock P.M. In selecting a school speed zone in which to install and operate a photo speed violation monitoring system, the city of New York shall consider criteria including, but not limited to, the speed data, crash history, and the roadway geometry applicable to such school speed zone. Such city shall prioritize the placement of photo speed violation monitoring systems in school speed zones based upon speed data or the crash history of a school speed zone. A photo speed violation monitoring system shall not be installed or operated on a controlled-access highway exit ramp or within three hundred feet along a highway that continues from the end of a controlled-access highway exit ramp.

§ 2. Paragraph 2 of subdivision (a) of section 1180-b of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 189 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

2. No photo speed violation monitoring system shall be used in a school speed zone unless (i) on the day it is to be used it has successfully passed a self-test of its functions; and (ii) it has undergone an annual calibration check performed pursuant to paragraph four of this subdivision. The city ~~[may]~~ shall install signs giving notice to approaching motor vehicle operators that a photo speed violation monitoring system is in use ~~[to be mounted on advance warning signs notifying motor vehicle operators of such upcoming school speed zone and/or on speed limit signs applicable within such school speed zone]~~, in conformance with standards established in the MUTCD.

§ 3. Paragraph 4 of subdivision (c) of section 1180-b of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 189 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

4. "school speed zone" shall mean a radial distance not to exceed one thousand three hundred twenty feet ~~[on a highway passing]~~ from a school building, entrance, or exit ~~[of a school abutting on the highway]~~.

§ 4. Subdivision (n) of section 1180-b of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 189 of the laws of 2013, is amended to read as follows:

(n) If the city adopts a demonstration program pursuant to subdivision ~~[one]~~ (a) of this section it shall conduct a study and submit ~~[a]~~ an annual report on the results of the use of photo devices to the governor, the temporary president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly on or before June first, two thousand twenty and on the same date in

1 each succeeding year in which the demonstration program is operable.

2 Such report shall include:

3 1. the locations where and dates when photo speed violation monitoring
4 systems were used;

5 2. the aggregate number, type and severity of crashes, fatalities,
6 injuries and property damage reported within all school speed zones
7 within the city, to the extent the information is maintained by the
8 department of motor vehicles of this state;

9 3. the aggregate number, type and severity of crashes, fatalities,
10 injuries and property damage reported within school speed zones where
11 photo speed violation monitoring systems were used, to the extent the
12 information is maintained by the department of motor vehicles of this
13 state;

14 4. the number of violations recorded within all school speed zones
15 within the city, in the aggregate on a daily, weekly and monthly basis;

16 5. the number of violations recorded within each school speed zone
17 where a photo speed violation monitoring system is used, in the aggre-
18 gate on a daily, weekly and monthly basis;

19 6. the number of violations recorded within all school speed zones
20 within the city that were:

21 (i) more than ten but not more than twenty miles per hour over the
22 posted speed limit;

23 (ii) more than twenty but not more than thirty miles per hour over the
24 posted speed limit;

25 (iii) more than thirty but not more than forty miles per hour over the
26 posted speed limit; and

27 (iv) more than forty miles per hour over the posted speed limit;

28 7. the number of violations recorded within each school speed zone
29 where a photo speed violation monitoring system is used that were:

30 (i) more than ten but not more than twenty miles per hour over the
31 posted speed limit;

32 (ii) more than twenty but not more than thirty miles per hour over the
33 posted speed limit;

34 (iii) more than thirty but not more than forty miles per hour over the
35 posted speed limit; and

36 (iv) more than forty miles per hour over the posted speed limit;

37 8. the total number of notices of liability issued for violations
38 recorded by such systems;

39 9. the number of fines and total amount of fines paid after the first
40 notice of liability issued for violations recorded by such systems;

41 10. the number of violations adjudicated and the results of such adju-
42 dications including breakdowns of dispositions made for violations
43 recorded by such systems;

44 11. the total amount of revenue realized by the city in connection
45 with the program;

46 12. the expenses incurred by the city in connection with the program;

47 [~~and~~]

48 13. the quality of the adjudication process and its results;

49 14. the total amount of revenue expended on traffic and pedestrian
50 safety within the city of New York; and

51 15. the effectiveness and adequacy of the hours of operation for such
52 program to determine the impact on speeding violations and prevention of
53 crashes.

54 § 5. The opening paragraph of section 12 of chapter 43 of the laws of
55 2014, amending the vehicle and traffic law, the public officers law and
56 the general municipal law relating to photo speed violation monitoring

1 systems in school speed zones in the city of New York, is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have
4 become a law [~~and~~]; provided that sections one through ten of this act
5 shall expire 4 years after such effective date when upon such date the
6 provisions of such sections of this act shall be deemed repealed; and
7 provided further that any rules necessary for the implementation of this
8 act on its effective date shall be promulgated on or before such effec-
9 tive date, provided that:

10 § 6. The opening paragraph of section 15 of chapter 189 of the laws of
11 2013, amending the vehicle and traffic law and the public officers law
12 relating to establishing in a city with a population of one million or
13 more a demonstration program implementing speed violation monitoring
14 systems in school speed zones by means of photo devices, is amended to
15 read as follows:

16 This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have
17 become a law and shall expire [~~5 years after such effective date when~~
18 ~~upon such date the provisions of this act shall~~] and be deemed repealed
19 July 1, 2022; and provided further that any rules necessary for the
20 implementation of this act on its effective date shall be promulgated on
21 or before such effective date, provided that:

22 § 7. Notwithstanding the provisions of article 5 of the general
23 construction law, the provisions of:

24 (a) paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 1180-b of the vehicle
25 and traffic law, as amended by section one of this act, is hereby
26 revived and shall be deemed to have been in full force and effect on and
27 after July 25, 2018; and

28 (b) section 1180-b of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by
29 sections two, three and four of this act, is hereby revived and shall be
30 deemed to have been in full force and effect on and after August 30,
31 2018.

32 § 8. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall
33 have become a law; provided that the amendments to section 1180-b of the
34 vehicle and traffic law made by sections one, two, three, and four of
35 this act shall not affect the repeal of such section and shall be deemed
36 repealed therewith.