STATE OF NEW YORK

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2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 21, 2019

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

AN ACT to amend the transportation law and the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to excluding commercial motor vehicles with a seating capacity of nine or more persons from the definition of the term sedan and changing the class of license required to operate stretch limousines

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

Section 1. The closing paragraph of section 151 of the transportation law, as amended by section 8 of part G of chapter 58 of the laws of 2012, is amended to read as follows:

For the purposes of this article, the term "sedan" or "sedans" as used herein shall include private passenger automobiles, but shall not include commercial motor vehicles with a seating capacity of [~~eleven~~] **nine** persons or more including the driver.

§ 2. Subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (b) of subdivision 2 of section 501 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by section 4 of part E of chapter 58 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

(iv) P endorsement. Shall be required to operate a bus as defined in sections one hundred four and five hundred nine-a of this chapter**, an altered motor vehicle commonly referred to as a stretch limousine having a seating capacity of nine or more passengers including the driver,** or any motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight or gross vehicle weight rating of more than twenty-six thousand pounds which is designed to transport passengers in commerce. For the purposes of this subparagraph the gross vehicle weight of a vehicle shall mean the actual weight of the vehicle and the load.

§ 3. Subparagraph (iv) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 4 of section 501-a of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 173 of the laws of 1990, is amended to read as follows:

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

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(iv) defined as a bus in subdivision one of section five hundred nine-a of this chapter **or an altered motor vehicle commonly referred to as a stretch limousine having a seating capacity of nine or more passengers including the driver**; or

§ 4. This act shall take effect on the first of April next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed on or before such effective date.