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## IN SENATE

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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 public authorities law, the highway law, the transportation law and the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to renaming the Thomas E. Dewey Thruway to the Frederick Douglass Thruway

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

1 Section 1. The closing paragraph of section 356 of the public authori-  
2 ties law, as added by chapter 23 of the laws of 1964, is amended to read  
3 as follows:

4 The thruway constructed along the routes designated in this section  
5 shall be known as "The [~~Governor Thomas E. Dewey~~] Frederick Douglass  
6 Thruway".

7 § 2. Paragraph 1 of subdivision 31 and paragraph 7 of subdivision 34  
8 of section 341 of the highway law, paragraph 1 of subdivision 31 as  
9 amended by chapter 594 of the laws of 1988 and paragraph 7 of subdivi-  
10 sion 34 as added by chapter 550 of the laws of 1985, are amended to read  
11 as follows:

12 1. Beginning at the Madison-Oneida county line east of the village of  
13 Madison, thence running generally easterly through or near the hamlet of  
14 Sangerfield and the village of Bridgewater to the Oneida-Otsego county  
15 line; beginning at the Herkimer-Oneida county line east of the village  
16 of Bridgewater, thence running generally easterly to the Oneida-Herkimer  
17 county line, west of the village of West Winfield; beginning at the  
18 Madison-Oneida county line, thence running generally northeasterly  
19 through or near the village of Waterville and the hamlet of Paris to a  
20 point in or near the village of New Hartford; beginning at a point in or  
21 near the village of Waterville, thence running generally northwesterly  
22 through or near the hamlet of Forge Hollow to a point in or near the  
23 hamlet of Deansboro; beginning at the Madison-Oneida county line in or  
24 near the village of Oriskany Falls, thence running generally northerly  
25 through or near the hamlet of Deansboro and the villages of Clinton and  
26 New Hartford to the southern city line of Utica; beginning at a point on  
27 or near state highway seven hundred sixty-one, thence running generally

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

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1 northerly through or near the hamlets of Kirkland and Westmoreland to a  
2 point in or near the hamlet of Stanwix; beginning at a point on or near  
3 the west end of state highway one thousand six hundred ten, thence  
4 running generally easterly to a point on or near the east end of state  
5 highway nine thousand sixty-one, in or near the village of Clinton;  
6 beginning at a point on or near state highway five thousand three  
7 hundred eighty-five in or near the village of Oriskany Falls, thence  
8 running generally northwesterly through or near the hamlets of Augusta,  
9 Vernon Center and Lowell to a point on or near state highway five  
10 hundred sixty-four in the city of Rome; beginning at a point in or near  
11 the hamlet of Vernon Center, thence running generally northwesterly to a  
12 point on or near state highway two hundred seventy-one in the village of  
13 Vernon; beginning at a point east of the hamlet of Kirkland, thence  
14 running generally southeasterly to a point northeast of the village of  
15 Clinton; beginning at a point northeast of the village of Clinton on or  
16 near the south end of state highway fifty-four dash two, thence running  
17 generally northeasterly to a point on or near state highway nine thou-  
18 sand two hundred five; beginning at the Oneida-Madison county line,  
19 thence running generally northerly through or near the village of  
20 Bridgewater and hamlets of Clayville, Chadwicks and Washington Mills to  
21 the southern city line of Utica, including an interchange connection  
22 with Genesee street in the city of Utica; beginning at the Madison-Onei-  
23 da county line, thence running generally easterly through or near the  
24 village of Oneida Castle, the city of Sherrill, the village of Vernon  
25 and the hamlet of Kirkland to a point on the southern city line of  
26 Utica; beginning at a point in or near the village of Oneida Castle,  
27 thence running generally northeasterly through or near the hamlet of  
28 Verona Station to a point on or near the southern inner corporation line  
29 of the city of Rome; beginning at a point south of the southern inner  
30 corporation line of the city of Rome, thence running generally south-  
31 easterly through or near the villages of Oriskany, Whitesboro, New York  
32 Mills and Yorkville to the western city line of Utica; beginning at a  
33 point on state highway eight thousand four hundred fifty-five in the  
34 village of Oriskany, thence running generally northeasterly to a point  
35 on or near state highway two hundred ninety-six; beginning at a point on  
36 or near state highway nine thousand two hundred five, west of the  
37 village of New Hartford, thence running generally northeasterly to a  
38 point in or near the village of New York Mills; beginning at the Madi-  
39 son-Oneida county line east of the city of Oneida, thence running gener-  
40 ally easterly to a point on or near state highway forty-seven dash one,  
41 north of the village of Oneida Castle; beginning at a point on the Madi-  
42 son-Oneida county line, thence running generally northeasterly through  
43 or near the hamlets of Durhamville and New London to a point on the  
44 western inner corporation line of the city of Rome; beginning at a point  
45 on the Madison-Oneida county line, thence running generally easterly  
46 through or near the hamlets of State Bridge and Verona Station to a  
47 point in or near the village of Vernon; beginning at a point on a state  
48 highway in or near the hamlet of Stanwix, as determined by the commis-  
49 sioner, thence running generally southeasterly and easterly through or  
50 near the hamlet of Westmoreland to a state highway on or near the south-  
51 western city line of Utica, as determined by the commissioner; beginning  
52 at a point in or near the village of New York Mills, thence running  
53 generally easterly to the western city line of Utica; beginning at the  
54 Madison-Oneida county line, thence running generally northerly through  
55 or near the hamlet of Sylvan Beach to a point on or near state highway  
56 eight thousand one hundred three, east of the hamlet of North Bay;

1 beginning at the Oneida-Madison county line, thence running generally  
2 northerly along the eastern shore of Oneida lake to a point on or near  
3 the southern boundary of Verona Beach state park; beginning at a point  
4 on the northern boundary of the Verona Beach state park, thence running  
5 generally northerly along the eastern shore of Oneida lake to a point  
6 south of the hamlet of Sylvan Beach; beginning at the Oswego-Oneida  
7 county line, thence running generally easterly through or near the  
8 hamlets of North Bay and Vienna to a point in or near the hamlet of New  
9 London; beginning at a point in or near the hamlet of Vienna, thence  
10 running generally northwesterly through or near the village of Camden to  
11 the Oswego-Oneida county line; beginning at the Oswego-Oneida county  
12 line, thence running generally southeasterly to a point in or near the  
13 village of Camden; beginning at a point in or near the village of  
14 Camden, thence running generally southeasterly through or near the  
15 hamlet of Taberg, to the western inner corporation line of the city of  
16 Rome; beginning at the eastern inner corporation line of the city of  
17 Rome, thence running generally southeasterly through or near the hamlet  
18 of Cary Corners to the western city line of Utica; beginning at the  
19 southern end of state highway one thousand five hundred seventeen at a  
20 point on or near the northern city line of Utica, thence running gener-  
21 ally northerly to a point south of the Erie canal; beginning at a point  
22 on or near state highway one thousand five hundred seventeen on the  
23 northern side of the [~~Governor Thomas E. Dewey~~] Frederick Douglass Thru-  
24 way, thence running generally northerly to a point west of the western  
25 city line of Utica; beginning at the northern inner corporation line of  
26 the city of Rome, thence running generally northerly through or near the  
27 hamlets of Stokes, West Branch and Ava to the Oneida-Lewis county line;  
28 beginning at the northern inner corporation line of the city of Rome,  
29 thence running generally northerly through or near the hamlets of West-  
30 ernville and northwestern to a point in or near the village of Boon-  
31 ville; beginning at the Oneida-Lewis county line, thence running gener-  
32 ally easterly to a point in or near the village of Boonville; beginning  
33 at a point in or near the village of Holland Patent, thence running  
34 generally northwesterly through or near the hamlets of Steuben and Big  
35 Brook to a point in or near the hamlet of Frenchville; beginning at a  
36 point on state highway five hundred sixty, in the vicinity of the  
37 entrance to Griffiss Air Force base, thence running generally northeast-  
38 erly near or through the hamlet of Floyd to a point on state highway  
39 eight thousand three hundred forty-five, west of the village of Holland  
40 Patent; beginning at a point on state highway five thousand five hundred  
41 forty-seven, north of the village of Whitesboro, thence running general-  
42 ly northeasterly through or near the villages of Holland Patent, Barne-  
43 veld and Prospect and the hamlet of Hinckley to the Oneida-Herkimer  
44 county line; beginning at the northern city line of Utica, thence  
45 running generally northerly and northwesterly through or near the  
46 villages of Barneveld and Remsen, the hamlet of Alder Creek, and the  
47 village of Boonville to the Oneida-Lewis county line; beginning in the  
48 town of Deerfield on or near state highway nine hundred thirty-three,  
49 thence running generally northeasterly to a point south of West Canada  
50 creek and west of the village of Poland; beginning at the Herkimer-Onei-  
51 da county line at a point on or near state highway five thousand five  
52 hundred fifty-nine, thence running generally easterly to a point on the  
53 Oneida-Herkimer county line west of the village of Poland; beginning at  
54 a point on state highway nine hundred thirty-one, south of the village  
55 of Barneveld, thence running generally easterly to the Oneida-Herkimer  
56 county line; beginning at a point on state highway five thousand three

1 hundred forty-five, north of the village of Prospect, thence running  
2 generally northwesterly to a point on or near state highway five thou-  
3 sand three hundred forty-six in or near the village of Remsen; beginning  
4 at a point on state highway five thousand two hundred forty-eight in or  
5 near the hamlet of Alder Creek, thence running generally northeasterly  
6 through or near the hamlets of Forestport, White Lake and Otter Lake to  
7 the Oneida-Herkimer county line; beginning at a point on state highway  
8 five thousand three hundred three in or near the village of Boonville,  
9 thence running generally northwesterly to the Oneida-Lewis county line;  
10 beginning at a point west of the village of New Hartford in the vicinity  
11 of the Utica North-South arterial, thence running generally southeaster-  
12 ly through or near the hamlet of Washington Mills to the Oneida-Herkimer  
13 county line; beginning at a point on state highway nine hundred thirty-  
14 one south of the village of Barneveld, thence running generally norther-  
15 ly through the village of Barneveld to a point on state highway five  
16 thousand three hundred twenty-five; beginning at a point on or near  
17 state highway fifty-eight dash four in or near the city of Rome as  
18 determined by the commissioner, thence running generally northeasterly  
19 to the southern inner corporation line of the city of Rome; beginning at  
20 a point on state highway eight thousand five hundred ten in the village  
21 of Whitesboro, thence running northeasterly to a point on state highway  
22 two hundred ninety-seven; beginning at the city line of Utica at state  
23 arterial highway sixty dash twenty-five thence running generally  
24 northeasterly to a point on the village of Yorkville - city of Utica  
25 line at or near Whitesboro street.

26 7. Effective upon the approval and filing by the comptroller of the  
27 state of New York of the first contract for the construction of a new  
28 interchange on the [~~Governor Thomas E. Dewey~~] Frederick Douglas thruway  
29 between exit fifteen, in the town of Ramapo, Rockland county, and exit  
30 sixteen in the town of Woodbury, Orange county, connecting such thruway  
31 with existing highways in the vicinity of the intersection of state  
32 highway eight thousand two hundred fifty-eight and state highways one  
33 thousand six hundred forty-three B and four hundred sixteen in the town  
34 of Tuxedo, Orange county, provided that the legislative body of Orange  
35 county shall have previously approved the transfer of the highway  
36 described in this paragraph, the commissioner of transportation is here-  
37 by authorized and directed to assume jurisdiction for state highway  
38 purposes over the county road described as follows: that portion of the  
39 route described in paragraph one hereof as "beginning at a state highway  
40 near the village of Warwick, thence running generally easterly through  
41 or near the village of Greenwood Lake to a state highway northeast of  
42 the village of Tuxedo Park, thence running easterly to a point on the  
43 New York state thruway" that lies between state highway four hundred  
44 sixteen and a point on the New York state thruway.

45 § 3. Section 342-d of the highway law, as added by chapter 61 of the  
46 laws of 1966, is amended to read as follows:

47 § 342-d. Portion of state highway system to be designated as the "Col.  
48 George F. Chandler Drive." From exit nineteen of "The [~~Governor Thomas~~  
49 ~~E. Dewey~~] Frederick Douglass Thruway" and Edison Plaza at the traffic  
50 interchange in Ulster County at Kingston, shall be designated as "Col.  
51 George F. Chandler Drive."

52 § 4. Section 343-s of the highway law, as added by chapter 277 of  
53 the laws of 2005, is amended to read as follows:

54 § 343-s. Portion of the state highway system to be designated as the  
55 "Erie County Veterans' Memorial Highway". All that portion of the state  
56 highway system constituting United States route two hundred nineteen, in

1 Erie county from the interchange with interstate route ninety ("The  
2 [~~Thomas E. Dewey~~] Frederick Douglass Thruway"), mile marker  
3 219-5312-124.9, in the town of West Seneca to the interchange at New  
4 York route three hundred ninety-one, mile marker 219-5312-116.5, in the  
5 town of Hamburg shall be designated and known as the "Erie County Veter-  
6 ans' Memorial Highway".

7 § 5. Section 33 of the transportation law, as added by chapter 420 of  
8 the laws of 1968, is amended to read as follows:

9 § 33. Purposes of fund. The purposes of this fund shall be to provide  
10 a means for elimination of existing tolls, except bridge tolls, on the  
11 Niagara section of the [~~Governor Thomas E. Dewey~~] Frederick Douglass  
12 Thruway within the context of protection of the rights of the bond hold-  
13 ers of the New York State Thruway Authority.

14 § 6. Subdivision 2 and paragraph (k) of subdivision 3 of section  
15 1180-a of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 464 of the  
16 laws of 2003, are amended to read as follows:

17 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of subdi-  
18 vision one of this section, upon The [~~Governor Thomas E. Dewey~~] Freder-  
19 ick Douglass Thruway as such term is defined in section three hundred  
20 fifty-six of the public authorities law, the New York state thruway  
21 authority may establish a maximum speed limit of not more than sixty-  
22 five miles per hour provided that such maximum allowable speed limit is  
23 established in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations.

24 (k) interstate ninety from exit eight, in the county of Rensselaer,  
25 thence generally easterly to the interchange with the Berkshire section  
26 of The [~~Governor Thomas E. Dewey~~] Frederick Douglass Thruway,

27 § 7. The commissioner of transportation shall provide for the instal-  
28 lation and maintenance of adequate signing of the state highway system  
29 as designated pursuant to this act.

30 § 8. This act shall take effect immediately