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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:

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

3 § 509-dd. Additional requirements for charter buses. (1) No driver
4 shall operate a charter bus and a motor carrier shall not permit a driv-
5 er to operate a charter bus without the use of commercial global posi-
6 tioning system (GPS) technology.

7 (2) For the purposes of this section:

8 (a) "Charter bus" shall mean a bus transporting passengers for compen-
9 sation in chartered party.

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

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

20 § 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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