STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 8, 2020

Introduced by Sen. HOYLMAN -- 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 safety belt requirements for taxis and livery vehicles

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

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 3-c of section 1229-c of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 340 of the laws of 2017, is amended and a new paragraph (c) is added to read as follows:

- (b) No person sixteen years of age or over shall be a passenger in [the front seat of] a taxi or livery unless such person is restrained by a safety belt approved by the commissioner.
- (c) No person shall operate a taxi or livery unless all passengers who are age eight or older but under age sixteen are restrained by a safety belt approved by the commissioner.
- 10 § 2. Subdivision 9 of section 1229-c of the vehicle and traffic law, 11 as amended by chapter 340 of the laws of 2017, is amended to read as 12 follows:
- 9. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision four of this section, the provisions of this section shall not apply to buses other than school buses and the provisions of subdivisions one, two, three and three-a of this section shall not apply to taxis and liveries <u>except</u>
- 17 that the provisions of subdivision three-a of this section shall be
- 18 applicable to any person operating a taxi or livery and to taxi and
- 19 <u>livery passengers age eight or older</u>.

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20 § 3. This act shall take effect on the first of November next succeed-21 ing the date on which it shall have become a law.

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

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