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IN SENATE

February 27, 2020

Introduced by Sen. GOUNARDES -- 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 creating a pedestrian safety rating system for motor vehicles

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

Section 1. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new section 216-b to read as follows:

§ 216-b. Pedestrian safety rating system. The commissioner shall cause to be created a pedestrian safety rating system which shall be made publicly available on the department's internet website. Such pedestrian safety rating system shall provide a rating between one and five stars for every motor vehicle model registered by individuals in this state based on:

1. the frequency of collisions involving a bicyclist or pedestrian reported in the state for such motor vehicle model, compared to the total number of such motor vehicle model registered in the state;

2. safety features that the commissioner determines are relevant to pedestrian and bicyclist safety, including but not limited to, automatic collision warning or pedestrian detection features, automatic braking, and visibility; and

3. any other factors the commissioner determines are relevant to pedestrian and bicyclist safety.

§ 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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