

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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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:

- 1 Section 1. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new  
2 section 216-b to read as follows:
- 3 § 216-b. Pedestrian safety rating system. The commissioner shall cause  
4 to be created a pedestrian safety rating system which shall be made  
5 publicly available on the department's internet website. Such pedestrian  
6 safety rating system shall provide a rating between one and five stars  
7 for every motor vehicle model registered by individuals in this state  
8 based on:
- 9 1. the frequency of collisions involving a bicyclist or pedestrian  
10 reported in the state for such motor vehicle model, compared to the  
11 total number of such motor vehicle model registered in the state;  
12 2. safety features that the commissioner determines are relevant to  
13 pedestrian and bicyclist safety, including but not limited to, automatic  
14 collision warning or pedestrian detection features, automatic braking,  
15 and visibility; and  
16 3. any other factors the commissioner determines are relevant to  
17 pedestrian and bicyclist safety.
- 18 § 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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