STATE OF NEW YORK

10649

IN ASSEMBLY

August 12, 2022

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Frontus) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to prohibiting driving a motor vehicle on boardwalks and other conveyances intended for the use of pedestrians

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 162 to read as follows:

§ 162. Boardwalk. An elevated footpath, walkway or causeway built with wooden planks or other material that enables pedestrians to cross wet, fragile, or marshy land, including but not limited to a beach or waterfront.

§ 2. Section 1225-a of the vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 222 of the laws of 1974, is amended to read as follows:

§ 1225-a. Driving on sidewalks**, boardwalks and other conveyances intended for the use of pedestrians**. No person shall drive a motor vehicle on or across a sidewalk**, boardwalk or other conveyance intended for the use of pedestrians**, except that a vehicle may be driven at a reasonable speed, but not more than five miles per hour, on or across a sidewalk in such manner as not to interfere with the safety and passage of pedestrians thereon, who shall have the right of way, when it is reasonable and necessary:

(a) to gain access to a public highway, private way or lands or buildings adjacent to such highway or way;

(b) in the conduct of work upon a highway, or upon a private way or lands or buildings adjacent to such highway or way, or

(c) to plow snow or perform any other public service, for hire, or otherwise, which could not otherwise be reasonably and properly performed.

§ 3. 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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