STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

May 6, 2022

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

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to requiring certain safety features for commuter vans

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

Section 1. The second undesignated paragraph of subdivision 1 of section 370 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by section 1 of part ZZ of chapter 59 of the laws of 2021, is amended to read as follows:

For damages for and incident to death or injuries to persons and injury to or destruction of property: For each motorcycle and for each motor vehicle engaged in the business of carrying or transporting passengers for hire, having a seating capacity of not more than seven passengers, a bond or insurance policy with a minimum liability of twenty-five thousand dollars and a maximum liability of fifty thousand dollars for bodily injury, and a minimum liability of fifty thousand dollars and a maximum liability of one hundred thousand dollars for death and a minimum liability of ten thousand dollars for injury to or destruction of property; for each motor vehicle engaged in the business of carrying or transporting passengers for hire, having a seating capacity of not less than eight passengers, a bond or insurance policy with a combined single limit of at least one million five hundred thousand dollars for bodily injury or death to one or more persons, and because of injury to or destruction of property in any one accident; provided, further that for commuter vans that are engaged in the business of carrying or transporting passengers for hire, having a seating capacity of not less than eight passengers, a bond or insurance policy with a combined single limit of at least **one million** five hundred thousand dollars for bodily injury or death to one or more persons, and because of injury to or destruction of property in any one accident**. Such commuter van shall maintain safety features, including but not limited to, a fully operational brake system, appropriate seat belts, security and back-up cameras, silent alarm systems, and personal or vehicle tracking devices**

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

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such as global positioning systems (GPS). For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "commuter van" shall have the same meaning as such term is defined in section 19-502 of the administrative code of the city of New York.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.