STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. STECK -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. HUNTER, SANTABARBARA, SIMON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the transportation law, in relation to the service area for paratransit transportation

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

Section 1. Subdivision 4 of section 15-b of the transportation law, as amended by chapter 385 of the laws of 1985, is amended to read as follows:

4. Accessible buses. The system shall include access by transportation disabled persons, including persons in wheelchairs, to not less than sixty-five percent of buses in the regularly operated fleet of the authority, which shall be properly operated and maintained to facilitate their use by transportation disabled persons. To meet this sixty-five percent requirement, all buses purchased, leased, or otherwise brought newly into service on the bus lines of the authority and its subsidiaries, except buses leased or otherwise put into service to relieve temporary, unplanned shortages of buses in service, shall be accessible to transportation disabled persons until the sixty-five percent requirement is met. **Accessible buses shall be available within a service area measuring five miles from any bus line of the authority and its subsidiaries.**

§ 2. Subdivision 4 of section 15-c of the transportation law is amended by adding a new paragraph c to read as follows:

c. Accessible buses shall be available within a service area measuring five miles from any bus line of the authority and its subsidiaries.

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after 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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