STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. LANZA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the penal law, in relation to protecting MTA workers from assault and harassment

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

Section 1. Subdivision 11 of section 120.05 of the penal law, as separately amended by chapters 268 and 281 of the laws of 2016, is amended to read as follows:

11. With intent to cause physical injury to a train operator, ticket inspector, conductor, signalperson, bus operator, station agent, station cleaner [~~or~~], terminal cleaner, station customer assistant; person whose official duties include the sale or collection of tickets, passes, vouchers, or other fare payment media for use on a train or bus; a person whose official duties include the maintenance, repair, inspection, troubleshooting, testing or cleaning of a transit signal system, elevated or underground subway tracks, transit station structure, train yard, revenue train in passenger service, or a train or bus station or terminal; or a supervisor of such personnel, employed by any transit agency, authority or company, public or private, whose operation is authorized by New York state or any of its political subdivisions, a city marshal, a school crossing guard appointed pursuant to section two hundred eight-a of the general municipal law, a traffic enforcement officer, traffic enforcement agent, prosecutor as defined in subdivision thirty-one of section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law, sanitation enforcement agent, New York city sanitation worker, public health sanitarian, New York city public health sanitarian, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, emergency medical service paramedic, or emergency medical service technician, he or she causes physical injury to such train operator, ticket inspector, conductor, signalperson, bus operator, station agent, station cleaner [~~or~~], terminal cleaner, station

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

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customer assistant; person whose official duties include the sale or collection of tickets, passes, vouchers or other fare payment media for use on a train or bus; a person whose official duties include the maintenance, repair, inspection, troubleshooting, testing or cleaning of a transit signal system, elevated or underground subway tracks, transit station structure, train yard, revenue train in passenger service, or a train or bus station or terminal; or a supervisor of such personnel, city marshal, school crossing guard appointed pursuant to section two hundred eight-a of the general municipal law, traffic enforcement officer, traffic enforcement agent, prosecutor as defined in subdivision thirty-one of section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, public health sanitarian, New York city public health sanitarian, sanitation enforcement agent, New York city sanitation worker, emergency medical service paramedic, or emergency medical service technician, while such employee is performing an assigned duty on, or directly related to, the operation of a train or bus, [~~including the~~] cleaning of a train or bus station or terminal or maintenance of a train or bus station or terminal, signal system, elevated or underground subway tracks, transit station structure, train yard or revenue train in passenger service, or such city marshal, school crossing guard, traffic enforcement officer, traffic enforcement agent, prosecutor as defined in subdivision thirty-one of section 1.20 of the criminal procedure law, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, public health sanitarian, New York city public health sanitarian, sanitation enforcement agent, New York city sanitation worker, emergency medical service paramedic, or emergency medical service technician is performing an assigned duty; or

§ 2. Section 240.30 of the penal law is amended by adding a new subdivision 3-a to read as follows:

3-a. Strikes, shoves, kicks, or otherwise subjects another person to physical contact, which includes spitting on such other person, and such other person is an on-duty train operator; ticket inspector; conductor; signalperson; bus operator; station agent; station cleaner; terminal cleaner; station customer assistant; person whose official duties include the sale or collection of tickets, passes, vouchers or other fare payment media for use on a train or bus; person whose official duties include the maintenance, repair, inspection, troubleshooting, testing or cleaning of a transit signal system, elevated or underground subway tracks, transit station structure, train yard, revenue train in passenger service, or train or bus station or terminal; or a supervisor of such personnel, employed by any transit agency, authority or company, public or private, whose operation is authorized by New York state or any of its political subdivisions; or

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.