STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

May 29, 2024

Introduced by COMMITTEE ON RULES -- (at request of M. of A. Raga) -- read once and referred to the Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

AN ACT to amend the public authorities law, in relation to modernizing the access-a-ride program's application process

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

Section 1. Section 1266 of the public authorities law is amended by adding a new subdivision 20 to read as follows:

20. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, within one year of the effective date of this subdivision, the authority shall:

(a) create an online application process for people to apply to the access-a-ride program; and

(b) establish a notification system to inform applicants to the access-a-ride program when such applicant's application has been successfully submitted, when the applicant's in-person assessment date has been scheduled for with the ability to request a different time and/or date for such assessment, and when the applicant's eligibility decision has been made and such decision. Such notifications shall be able to be opted into during the application process. Such notifications shall be sent to the applicant via email.

§ 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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