

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN ASSEMBLY

March 27, 2024

Introduced by M. of A. BENEDETTO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to proper registration of abandoned vehicles

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 3 of section 1224 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 726 of the laws of 1983, is amended to read as follows:

2 (b) Such local authority shall notify the last owner, if known, that  
3 the vehicle in question has been recovered as an abandoned vehicle and  
4 that, if unclaimed, it will be sold at public auction or by bid after  
5 ten days from the date such notice was given. If the agency described in  
6 paragraph (a) of this subdivision also notifies such local authority  
7 that a lien or mortgage exists such notice shall also be sent to the  
8 lienholder or mortgagee. The commissioner shall prescribe the methods  
9 of giving notice. Any person claiming such vehicle shall be required to  
10 pay the costs of removal and storage of such vehicle. In a city having a  
11 population of one million or more, if an abandoned vehicle is found to  
12 have a false or fraudulent certificate of registration or number plate,  
13 any person claiming such vehicle shall, in order to claim such vehicle,  
14 provide proof to such local authority that such vehicle is now lawfully  
15 registered pursuant to section four hundred one of this chapter and  
16 proof of insurance in order for a person to claim such vehicle that has  
17 been recovered as an abandoned vehicle and to remove such vehicle from  
18 the lot where it is being stored.

19 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.  
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EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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