

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

February 28, 2024

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

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to electronic appearances for parking violations

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

1 Section 1. Section 237 of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by
2 adding a new subdivision 3-a to read as follows:

3 3-a. To adopt rules and regulations prescribing electronic appearances
4 at hearings adjudicating parking violations;

5 § 2. Section 240 of the vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a
6 new subdivision 3 to read as follows:

7 3. Parking violations. A person charged with a parking violation may
8 enter a plea of not guilty, personally or through an authorized repre-
9 sentative, to obtain a hearing either in person or through electronic
10 appearance. Such plea may be entered in person at any parking violations
11 bureau office, via first-class mail or electronically on the bureau's
12 website. The parking violations bureau shall advise the party making the
13 plea through first class mail or electronically through email that the
14 hearing shall be conducted in the manner selected by the respondent or
15 their authorized representative. In all instances, the parking
16 violations bureau shall permit the electronic submission of documenta-
17 tion and evidence for all hearings, adjournment requests, and other
18 requests for information up until the date and time of such scheduled
19 hearing, and such submissions shall constitute a permanent record to be
20 maintained by the parking violations bureau for a minimum of eight years
21 and three months. Electronic signature and electronic notaries shall be
22 treated in the same manner as printed material and physical filings by a
23 respondent or their authorized representative or legal counsel shall not
24 be required. A video recording shall be made contemporaneously with any
25 electronic appearance or hearing and may be introduced as evidence in
26 any future proceedings relating to such violation.

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

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

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