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IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. BORES -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to enacting the RIDE (responsibility in delivery enforcement) act

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

1 Section 1. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as
2 the "RIDE (responsibility in delivery enforcement) act".

3 § 2. The vehicle and traffic law is amended by adding a new section
4 1244 to read as follows:

5 § 1244. Responsibility in delivery enforcement. 1. For the purposes
6 of this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

7 (a) "Third-party food delivery service" shall have the same meaning as
8 in section three hundred ninety-one-v of the general business law.

9 (b) "Worker" shall mean a natural person who is hired or retained as
10 an independent contractor by a delivery business to make deliveries in
11 exchange for compensation, when such deliveries involve the operation by
12 such worker of a limited use motorcycle or bicycle with or without elec-
13 tric assist.

14 2. A third-party food delivery service shall reimburse a worker any
15 fine or civil penalty imposed as a result of such violation incurred by
16 the worker during the performance of such worker's job duties for the
17 third-party food delivery service.

18 3. Within thirty days of payment of a fine or civil penalty for a
19 violation by a worker of any provision of section twelve hundred thir-
20 ty-four of this article or any local law, rule or regulation governing
21 the riding of bicycles on a sidewalk, incurred by the worker during the
22 performance of such worker's job duties, such worker shall notify such
23 third-party food delivery service of the worker's payment of such fine
24 or civil penalty. Within thirty days of such notice, the third-party
25 food delivery service shall provide the worker with a reimbursement via

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

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1 the same method of payment which the third-party food delivery service
2 uses to pay the worker for services provided.

3 4. To the extent a worker is simultaneously performing job duties for
4 multiple third-party food delivery services such third-party food deliv-
5 ery services shall be jointly and severally liable to a worker for fines
6 or civil penalties incurred by the worker during such worker's job
7 duties for the third-party food delivery services.

8 5. A third-party food delivery service shall not be liable for failure
9 to reimburse a worker a civil penalty pursuant to subdivision two of
10 this section if such third-party food delivery service lacked notice of
11 such civil penalty, as required by subdivision three of this section.

12 § 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
13 it shall have become a law.