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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. BICHOTTE HERMELYN -- 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 highway law, in relation to installing zero-emission charging and refueling station signs on New York state highways

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

1 Section 1. Section 88 of the highway law is amended by adding a new  
2 subdivision 12-a to read as follows:

3 12-a. (a) The commissioner shall develop and implement, upon federal  
4 approval if necessary, an official business directional sign program to  
5 provide directional information regarding the presence of publicly  
6 available zero-emission vehicle charging and refueling stations, subject  
7 to amounts appropriated therefor. Such program may be incorporated into  
8 the official business directional sign program implemented by the  
9 commissioner pursuant to subdivision twelve of this section. The offi-  
10 cial business zero-emission vehicle station directional sign program  
11 guidelines shall include the installation and maintenance of signage  
12 designating where publicly accessible zero-emission vehicle charging and  
13 refueling stations are located within three miles of an interstate or  
14 primary highway system exit or off-ramp in accordance with the manual on  
15 uniform traffic control devices.

16 (b) The official business zero-emission vehicle station directional  
17 sign program shall be integrated with, but not limited by, information  
18 centers provided for in subdivision ten of this section to maximize the  
19 information made available in the specific interest of the traveling  
20 public.

21 (c) The installation of zero-emission vehicle charging and refueling  
22 station signage shall only occur during the regular course of mainte-  
23 nance for existing signage. The commissioner shall seek to speed federal

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

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1 approval of the official business zero-emission vehicle directional sign  
2 program if such approval is necessary.

3 (d) For purposes of this section "zero-emission vehicle" shall mean a  
4 motor vehicle that is propelled by an electric motor and associated  
5 power electronics which provide acceleration torque to the drive wheels  
6 during normal vehicle operation and draws electricity from a hydrogen  
7 fuel cell or from a battery which is capable of being recharged from an  
8 external source of electricity; or otherwise operates without direct  
9 emission of atmospheric pollutants.

10 § 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall  
11 have become a law and apply to signage installed or maintained by the  
12 department of transportation on or after such effective date.