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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. COONEY -- 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 clarifying that all trail users, including bicyclists, have right of way in crosswalks wherever the multi-use trail crosses a roadway

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

1 Section 1. Section 1151 of the vehicle and traffic law, is amended by
2 adding a new subdivision (d) to read as follows:

3 (d) Wherever a multi-use trail crosses a roadway, a vehicle shall
4 yield the right of way to any user of such multi-use trail crossing such
5 roadway within a crosswalk on such roadway upon which such vehicle is
6 traveling. Any user of a multi-use trail, including a bicyclist, shall
7 be subject to the same limitations placed on pedestrians pursuant to
8 this section for the purposes of crossing a roadway in a crosswalk that
9 is contiguous to such multi-use trail. For the purposes of this subdivi-
10 sion, the term "multi-use trail" shall mean a trail established pursuant
11 to section twenty-two of the highway law by the department of transpor-
12 tation or established by the office of parks, recreation and historic
13 preservation, the department of environmental conservation, the New York
14 State Canal Corporation, the Hudson River Valley Greenway, or any other
15 state agency or an affiliate or subsidiary of a state agency, or a coun-
16 ty, city, town, village, or private entity for recreation and transpor-
17 tation use by pedestrians, bicyclists, and/or others utilizing non-mo-
18 torized transport.

19 § 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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