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Introduced by Sen. COMRIE -- (at request of the NYC Finance) -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to notices of violation returnable to a parking violations bureau in a city with a population of one million or more

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 238 of the vehicle and traffic
2 law, as amended by chapter 224 of the laws of 1995, is amended to read
3 as follows:
4 2. A notice of violation shall be served personally upon the operator
5 of a motor vehicle who is present at the time of service, and [~~his~~] such
6 operator's name, together with the plate designation and the plate type
7 as shown by the registration plates of said vehicle and the expiration
8 date, provided that in a city with a population of one million persons
9 or more, if such notice is served upon the operator of a vehicle that
10 has no such registration plate issued by the commissioner, the commis-
11 sioner's agent, or the equivalent official or agent from another state,
12 territory, district, province, nation or other jurisdiction, or if such
13 registration plate is concealed or obscured, the vehicle identification
14 number may be inserted in such notice in place of the plate designation
15 and plate type; the make or model, and, provided that a body type is
16 indicated on the registration sticker of said vehicle, the body type of
17 said vehicle; a description of the charged violation, including but not
18 limited to a reference to the applicable traffic rule or provision of
19 this chapter; information as to the days and hours the applicable rule
20 or provision of this chapter is in effect, unless always in effect
21 pursuant to rule or this chapter and where appropriate the word ALL when
22 the days and/or hours in effect are everyday and/or twenty-four hours a
23 day; the meter number for a meter violation, where appropriate; and the

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

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1 date, time and particular place of occurrence of the charged violation,
2 shall be inserted therein. A mere listing of a meter number in cases of
3 charged meter violations shall not be deemed to constitute a sufficient
4 description of a particular place of occurrence for purposes of this
5 subdivision. The notice of violation shall be served upon the owner of
6 the motor vehicle if the operator is not present, by affixing such
7 notice to said vehicle in a conspicuous place. Whenever such notice is
8 so affixed, in lieu of inserting the name of the person charged with the
9 violation in the space provided for the identification of said person,
10 the words "owner of the vehicle bearing license" may be inserted to be
11 followed by the plate designation and plate type as shown by the regis-
12 tration plates of said vehicle together with the expiration date,
13 provided that, in a city with a population of one million persons or
14 more, if such notice is affixed to a vehicle that has no such registra-
15 tion plate issued by the commissioner, the commissioner's agent, or the
16 equivalent official or agent from another state, territory, district,
17 province, nation or other jurisdiction, or if such registration plate is
18 concealed or obscured, the vehicle identification number may be inserted
19 in such notice in place of the plate designation and plate type, and
20 such notice shall indicate the reason for insertion of such vehicle
21 identification number, and supporting photographic documentation may be
22 provided; the make or model, and, provided that a body type is indicated
23 on the registration sticker of said vehicle, the body type of said vehi-
24 cle; a description of the charged violation, including but not limited
25 to a reference to the applicable traffic rule or provision of this chap-
26 ter; information as to the days and hours the applicable rule or
27 provision of this chapter is in effect unless always in effect pursuant
28 to rule or this chapter and where appropriate the word ALL when the days
29 and/or hours in effect are every day and/or twenty-four hours a day; the
30 meter number for a meter violation where appropriate; and the date, time
31 and particular place of occurrence of the charged violation. Service of
32 the notice of violation, or a duplicate thereof by affixation as herein
33 provided shall have the same force and effect and shall be subject to
34 the same penalties for disregard thereof as though the same was
35 personally served with the name of the person charged with the violation
36 inserted therein.

37 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.