

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 18, 2026

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 public authorities law, in relation to exempting members of the New York state police from tolls associated with entering on or exiting Ward's island

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

1 Section 1. The public authorities law is amended by adding a new
2 section 1266-o to read as follows:

3 § 1266-o. Toll exemptions for state police on Ward's island. 1.
4 Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, no personal vehicle used
5 by a member of the New York state police shall be charged a toll if the
6 vehicle is used by a member of the New York state police entering on or
7 exiting Ward's island for purposes of performing such member's official
8 duties.

9 2. Application for such toll exemption shall be made in such manner as
10 shall be prescribed by the authority and shall contain such information
11 as the authority may reasonably require.

12 § 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall
13 have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or
14 repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implementation of
15 this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and completed
16 on or before such effective date.

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

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