

# STATE OF NEW YORK

10607

## IN ASSEMBLY

March 13, 2026

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

AN ACT to amend the highway law, in relation to preventing adding width or lanes to state highways within one hundred feet of certain public housing facilities

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

- 1 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "stop high-  
2 way community harm act".  
3 § 2. Section 10 of the highway law is amended by adding a new subdivi-  
4 sion 4-a to read as follows:  
5 4-a. Not approve any final plans, specifications or estimates for a  
6 state highway if such plans, specifications or estimates include adding  
7 width or lanes to such highway within one hundred feet of a federal,  
8 state, or municipal housing project or public housing facility, as such  
9 terms are defined in the public housing law, located within a zip code  
10 with a three-year average asthma emergency department incidence rate per  
11 ten thousand persons of greater than seventy according to the department  
12 of health.  
13 § 3. 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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