STATE OF NEW YORK

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

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to certificates of registration for entities that manufacture or assemble zero emissions vehicles and have no franchised motor vehicle dealers in New York

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

Section 1. Subparagraph (iii) of paragraph f of subdivision 7 of section 415 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 26 of the laws of 2014, is amended to read as follows:

(iii) **(1)** Notwithstanding any other provision of this paragraph or any provision of paragraph (bb) of subdivision two of section four hundred sixty-three of this title, the commissioner may [~~renew any certificate of registration that was issued to a franchisor, manufacturer, distributor, distributor branch or factory branch, as such terms are defined in section four hundred sixty-two of this title, or to any subsidiary, affiliate or controlled entity thereof, prior to March twenty-sixth, two thousand fourteen;~~] **issue up to five total certificates of registration to franchisors, manufacturers, distributors, distributor branches or factory branches, as such terms are defined by section four hundred sixty-two of this title, or to any subsidiaries, affiliates or controlled entities thereof,** provided, however, that**:**

(A) such [~~franchisor, manufacturer, distributor, distributor branch or factory branch, or any subsidiary, affiliate or controlled entity thereof, is a manufacturer that manufactures or assembles exclusively zero emissions vehicles, or is a subsidiary, affiliate, or controlled entity of such a manufacturer~~] **franchisors, manufacturers, distributors, distributor branches or factory branches, or any subsidiaries, affiliates or controlled entities thereof, are manufacturers that manufacture or assemble exclusively zero emissions vehicles, or are subsidiaries,**

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

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affiliates, or controlled entities of such manufacturers; and [~~provided further~~]

(B) in the case of renewal, that a controlling interest in such original [~~franchisor, manufacturer, distributor, distributor branch or factory branch or any subsidiary, affiliate or controlled entity was not transferred, sold or conveyed to another person or entity, other than to a subsidiary, affiliate or controlled entity of such franchisor, manufacturer, distributor, distributor branch or factory branch~~] franchisors, manufacturers, distributors, distributor branches or factory branches or any subsidiaries, affiliates or controlled entities were not transferred, sold or conveyed to another person or entity, other than to a subsidiary, affiliate or controlled entity of such franchisors, manufacturers, distributors, distributor branches or factory branches.

(2) Prior to July first, two thousand twenty-six, the commissioner shall consider for renewal all certificates of registration issued under clause one of subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph. Any such certificates of registration issued prior to January first, two thousand twenty-five, shall not be eligible for renewal. The commissioner may issue up to five certificates of registration to entities defined under clause one of subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph, provided, however, that such entities have not previously been issued a certificate of registration prior to January first, two thousand twenty-five.

(3) For purposes of this paragraph, "zero emission vehicles" shall have the same meaning as under part two hundred eighteen of title six of the New York code of rules and regulations.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.