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Introduced by M. of A. SIMONE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to enacting the advanced clean fleets law

<u>The People of the State of New York, represented</u> <u>in Senate and Assem-</u>

bly, do enact as follows:

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 19-0306-b of the environmental
- 2 conservation law, as amended by chapter 109 of the laws of 2022, is
 - 3 amended to read as follows:
- 4 1. It shall be a goal of the state that one hundred percent of new
- 5 passenger cars and trucks offered for sale or lease, or sold, or leased,
- 6 for registration in the state shall be zero-emissions by two thousand
- 7 thirty-five. It shall be a further goal of the state that **fifty percent**

- 8 of medium-duty and heavy-duty vehicles offered for sale or lease, or
- 9 sold, or leased, for registration in the state be zero-emissions by two
- 10 thousand thirty-one, that eighty percent of medium-duty and heavy-duty
- 11 <u>vehicles offered for sale or lease, or sold, or leased, for registration</u>
- 12 in the state be zero-emissions by two thousand thirty-six, and that one
- 13 hundred percent of medium-duty and heavy-duty vehicles offered for sale
- 14 or lease, or sold, or leased, for registration in the state be zero-em-
- 15 issions by two thousand [$\frac{\text{forty-five}}{\text{forty-one}}$] for all operations where
- 16 feasible. It shall be further a goal of the state to transition to one
- 17 hundred percent zero-emissions from new off-road vehicles and equipment
- 18 purchased beginning in two thousand thirty-five, where feasible.
- 19 § 2. Paragraph b of subdivision 2 of section 19-0306-b of the environ-
- 20 mental conservation law, as amended by chapter 109 of the laws of 2022,
 - 21 is amended to read as follows:
- 22 b. Medium-duty and heavy-duty vehicle regulations requiring increasing
- 23 volumes of new zero-emissions trucks and buses offered for sale or
- 24 lease, or sold, or leased, for registration and operated in the state
- 25 towards the target of <u>fifty percent of the sold or</u> leased fleet transi-
- 26 <u>tioning to zero-emissions vehicles by two thousand thirty-one, eighty</u>
- 27 percent of the sold or leased fleet transitioning to zero-emissions
- 28 **vehicles by two thousand thirty-six, and** one hundred percent of the \underline{sold}

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- 1 <u>or leased</u> fleet transitioning to zero-emissions vehicles by two thousand
 - 2 [forty-five] forty-one everywhere feasible.
- 3 § 3. The environmental conservation law is amended by adding a new
 - 4 section 19-0306-c to read as follows:
- 5 § 19-0306-c. Advanced clean fleets law for mediumand heavy-duty vehi-
 - 6 cles.
- 7 <u>1. This section shall be known and may be cited</u> and referred to as the
 - 8 "advanced clean fleets law."
- 9 $\underline{\text{2.}}$ As used in this section, the following terms shall have the
 - 10 following meanings:
- 11 (a) "Break-bulk goods" shall mean goods that are stowed on a drayage
 - 12 truck in individually counted units.
- 13 (b) "Drayage truck" shall mean any in-use on-road vehicle that trans-
- 14 ports cargo, such as containerized bulk or breakbulk goods, between a
- 15 <u>maritime terminal and intermodal rail facility,</u> distribution center, or
 - 16 other near-port location.
- 17 (c) "Fleet operator" or "operator" shall mean the individual or busi-
- 18 ness entity, whether in partnership, limited liability company, joint
- 19 stock company, corporation, or any other form, which owns a truck, or a
- 20 <u>broker</u>, <u>which</u>, <u>as a principal or agent</u>, <u>sells</u>, <u>offers to sell</u>, <u>or nego-</u>
- 21 <u>tiates for truck transportation by a motor</u> carrier for compensation.
- 22 For the purposes of this paragraph, "truck" shall refer to a medium-duty
- 23 <u>vehicle</u>, <u>as defined in paragraph (i) of this</u> subdivision, a heavy-duty

- 24 <u>vehicle</u>, as defined in paragraph (e) of this subdivision, a drayage
- 25 <u>truck, as defined in paragraph (b) of this</u> subdivision, or any truck, as
- 26 <u>defined in paragraph (n) of this subdivision,</u> owned, operated, or
- 27 <u>controlled as part of a high priority fleet, as</u> <u>defined in paragraph (f)</u>
 - 28 of this subdivision.
- 29 (d) "Gross vehicle weight rating" or "GVWR" shall mean the weight of a
- 30 vehicle consisting of the unladen weight and the maximum carrying capac-
- 31 <u>ity recommended by the manufacturer of such</u> vehicle.
- 32 (e) "Heavy-duty vehicle" shall mean a vehicle with a gross vehicle
- 33 weight rating greater than twenty thousand six hundred pounds.
- 34 (f) "High priority fleets" shall mean trucking fleets which are owned,
- 35 <u>operated</u>, <u>or controlled by entities with fifty</u> million dollars or more
- 36 <u>in annual gross revenue and that own, operate, or control at least one</u>
- 37 <u>vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of</u> greater than eight thou-
- 38 <u>sand five hundred pounds, or trucking fleets which</u> <u>are owned, operated,</u>
- 39 <u>or controlled by entities which own, operate, or</u> control at least fifty
- 40 <u>vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of greater than eight thou-</u>
 - 41 sand five hundred pounds.
- 42 (g) "Intermodal rail facility" shall mean a facility owned or operated
- 43 by a public or private entity that receives both drayage trucks and
 - 44 locomotives.
- 45 (h) "Maritime terminal" shall mean wharves, bulkheads, quays, piers,
- 46 <u>docks</u>, <u>and other berthing locations and adjacent storage or adjacent</u>

- 47 areas and structures associated with the primary movement of cargo and
- 48 goods from vessel to shore, or shore to vessel, including structures
- 49 which are devoted to receiving, handling, holding, consolidating, and
- 50 <u>loading or delivery of waterborne shipments or passengers, including</u>
- 51 <u>areas devoted to the maintenance of the terminal or</u> equipment.
- 52 <u>(i) "Medium-duty vehicle" shall mean a vehicle</u> with a gross vehicle
- 53 weight rating between fourteen thousand one pounds and twenty thousand
 - 54 six hundred pounds.

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- 1 (j) "Motor carrier" shall mean a common and contract carrier of prop-
- 2 <u>erty by motor vehicle and a common carrier of household goods by motor</u>
 - 3 vehicle.
- 4 (k) "Near zero emissions" shall refer to a vehicle that uses zero
- 5 <u>emission technologies or technologies that provide</u> a pathway to zero
- 6 <u>emission operations or a vehicle that</u> incorporates other technologies
- 7 that significantly reduce exhaust emissions of any greenhouse gas,
- 8 criteria pollutant, or precursor pollutant under any and all possible
 - 9 operational modes and conditions.
- 10 (1) "On-road" shall mean a vehicle that is designed to be driven on
- 11 public highways, as such term is defined in section one hundred thirty-
- 12 <u>four of the vehicle and traffic law, and that is</u> registered or capable
- 13 of being registered pursuant to article fourteen of the vehicle and
 - 14 traffic law.
- 15 (m) "Zero emission" shall refer to a vehicle powered by means of a

- 16 battery or fuel cell or a combination thereof, or another source of
- 17 power, that produces zero exhaust emissions of any greenhouse gas,
- 18 <u>criteria pollutant, or precursor pollutant under</u> any and all possible
 - 19 operational modes and conditions.
- 20 (n) "Truck" shall mean a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of
 - 21 greater than eight thousand five hundred pounds.
- 22 3. No later than one year after the effective date of this section,
- 23 <u>all fleet operators, as defined in paragraph (c)</u> of subdivision two of
- 24 this section, shall be required to compile and deliver a report to the
 - 25 department which shall detail:
- 26 (a) the number and type of contracts the fleet operator may have to
- 27 deliver items or perform work in the state of New York;
- 28 (b) what types of facilities the fleet operator uses to store such
- 29 <u>operator's medium- and heavy-duty vehicle</u> <u>fleet as a home base, and</u>
- 30 whether such fleet is primarily fueled at such home base;
- 31 (c) whether such storage facility is owned or leased by the fleet
 - 32 **operator**;
- 33 (d) whether such storage facility contains refueling infrastructure
 - 34 and the type of such infrastructure;
- 35 (e) the body and fuel type of each vehicle of the operator's fleet;
- 36 (f) how many vehicles in the operator's fleet are zero emission vehi-
- 37 <u>cles or near zero emission vehicles compared to non-zero emission or</u>
 - 38 non-near zero emission vehicles;
- 39 (g) the weight class of each vehicle in the operator's fleet;
- 40 (h) the estimated daily and annual mileage of each vehicle in the

- 41 operator's fleet;
- 42 <u>(i) whether the operator's fleet has a</u> predictable usage pattern, and
 - 43 if so, a description of such pattern;
- 44 (j) whether the operator's fleet tows a trailer and if so, a
 - 45 description of the weight and type of such trailer;
- 46 (k) whether the operator's fleet is registered outside the state of
- 47 New York, and if so, where such fleet is registered;
- driven on public high-
- 49 ways compared to the percentage parked at a facility on an average day;
- 50 (m) the average annual mileage of the operator's fleet;
- 51 (n) whether the operator's fleet is equipped with a global positioning
- 52 **system or other form of electronic mileage** tracking;
- 53 (o) how many years after purchase or lease a vehicle in the operator's
 - 54 fleet is typically kept;
- 55 (p) whether the fleet operator is the owner of the fleet or is
 - dispatching vehicles as a broker of such fleet; and
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- 1 (q) any other information the department deems necessary in order to
 - 2 enforce the provisions of this section.
- 3 4. (a) Commencing in the year two thousand twenty-eight, no fleet
- 4 operator shall newly purchase or lease a drayage truck in this state
- 5 <u>unless such truck is a zero emission or near zero</u> emission vehicle.
- 6 (b) Commencing in the year two thousand thirty-six, no fleet operator
- 7 <u>shall maintain or drive a drayage truck in this</u> state unless it is a
 - 8 zero emission or near zero emission vehicle.

- 9 (c) Commencing in the year two thousand fortyone, no fleet operator
- 10 <u>shall maintain or drive a medium- or heavy-duty</u> vehicle in this state
- 11 <u>unless it is a zero emission or near zero emission</u> vehicle.
- 12 (d) Commencing in the year two thousand twenty-eight, no high-priority
- 13 <u>fleet operator may newly purchase or lease a truck</u> in this state unless
- 14 such truck is a zero emission or near zero emission vehicle. Also
- 15 $\underline{\text{commencing in the year two thousand twenty-}}$ eight, all high priority
- 16 <u>fleet operators must replace a non-zero emission or non-near zero emis-</u>
- 17 sion truck that has reached the end of its useful life, defined as
- 18 occurring when either (i) the model year for the engine of such truck
- 19 <u>has exceeded eighteen years, or (ii) such truck</u> has been driven more
- 20 than eight hundred thousand miles, whichever is sooner, with a zero
- 21 <u>emission or near zero emission truck. High</u> priority fleet operators
- 22 <u>shall not be required to replace a non-zero</u> emission or non-near zero
- 23 <u>emission truck that has reached the end of its</u> useful life, however, if
- 24 <u>such operator has determined that a replacement for</u> such truck is unnec-
- 25 <u>essary because of a reduction in the size of such</u> operator's fleet.
- 26 (e) (i) The commissioner may, in their discretion, exempt fleet oper-
- 27 ators from the zero emission or near zero emission fleet requirements
- 28 <u>described in this subdivision if no such zero</u> emission or near zero
- 29 <u>emission vehicle model is available for purchase or lease which meets</u>
- 30 the needs of such fleet operator, in which case the fleet operator shall

- 31 <u>be able to purchase or lease an alternative</u> vehicle model, including
- 32 <u>models with an internal combustion engine,</u> where necessary. The
- 33 <u>commissioner shall promulgate rules and/or</u> regulations to effectuate the
 - 34 provisions of this paragraph.
- 35 (ii) The department shall maintain, on a publicly accessible website,
- 36 <u>a list of vehicle models, sortable by manufacturer</u> and model year, which
- 37 <u>are not yet available as a zero emission or near</u> zero emission vehicle.
- 38 <u>5. (a) The department shall establish a</u> navigation program to provide
- 39 <u>information and assistance to fleet operators</u> relating to the provisions
- 40 of this section. Such program shall include assistance by a natural
- 41 person by phone and email as well as the posting of information on a
 - 42 publicly accessible website.
- 43 (b) The navigation program shall provide the following:
- 44 (i) information about available zero emission and near zero emission
- 45 models of vehicles for fleet operators covered under this section;
- 46 (ii) information about available programs to assist fleet operators in
- 47 the purchasing or lease of zero emission and near zero emission vehi-
- 48 cles, such as but not limited to, vouchers, rebates, competitive grants,
- 49 <u>low-cost financing, or any other program offered</u>
 by any public or
 - 50 private entity; and
- 51 (iii) any other information the department deems relevant in order to
- 52 compel compliance with the provisions of this section.
- 53 (c) The department shall conduct an outreach and education campaign to

- 54 inform fleet operators of the provisions of this section.
- 6. No later than two years after the effective 55 date of this section,
- 56 and each year thereafter, the department shall issue a report on the 5

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- state of the trucking industry as it relates to the provisions of this
 - section. Such report shall include:
- 3 (a) the number of fleet operators covered by this section and an
- aggregate description of such operators' fleets, including the number of
- 5 drayage trucks and medium- and heavy-duty vehicles across the state;
- (b) the aggregate percentage of vehicles owned, operated, or
- controlled by fleet operators covered under this section which are zero
- emission or near zero emission vehicles compared to non-zero emission or
 - non-near zero emission vehicles;
- (c) an aggregate description of the purchase or lease of new vehicles
- by fleet operators and whether such vehicles are zero emission or near
- zero emission vehicles compared to non-zero emission or non-near zero
 - 13 emission vehicles;
- 14 (d) an aggregate description, by number and percentage, of non-zero
- emission or non-near zero emission vehicles covered by this section
- 16 which were not able to be replaced with zero emission or near zero emis-
- sion vehicles due to such vehicle model's unavailability, as well as
- 18 such model's anticipated date, if any, of availability by any vehicle
 - 19 manufacturer;
- (e) the estimated aggregate annual mileage of fleet operators covered

- 21 by this section;
- 22 (f) the estimated aggregate annual tailpipe emissions of fleet opera-
- 23 tors covered by this section, based on the mileage reported in paragraph
 - 24 (e) of this subdivision;
- 25 (g) recommendations for any legislative changes to this section; and
- 26 (h) any other information the department deems necessary to include as
- $27~\underline{\text{a}}$ description of the trucking industry's compliance with this act.
- 28 <u>Such report shall be delivered on an annual</u> basis to the temporary
- 29 president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, and the governor.
- 30 <u>Such report shall also be posted for public</u> review in a clear and
 - 31 conspicuous manner on the department's website.
- 32 <u>7. (a) Any fleet operator who violates the provisions of subdivision</u>
- 33 <u>four of this section shall be liable, in the case</u> of a first violation,
- 34 <u>for a penalty not less than five hundred dollars</u> nor more than eighteen
- 35 thousand dollars for said violation; provided, however, that the commis-
- 36 <u>sioner may in their discretion suspend such</u> penalty for a period of one
- 37 calendar year. If at the end of such calendar year, such fleet operator
- 38 <u>remains noncompliant with subdivision four of this</u> section, such penalty
- 39 <u>shall be reinstated and become immediately</u> due and payable to the
 - 40 commissioner.
- 41 (b) In the case of a second or any further violation, the liability
- 42 <u>shall be for a penalty not to exceed twenty-six</u> thousand dollars for
 - 43 said violation.
- $\ 44\ \$ § 4. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after

- 45 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-
- 46 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-
- 47 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and
 - 48 completed on or before such effective date.