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

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, 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 zeroemissions 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-two, that eighty percent of medium-duty and heavy-duty

11 **vehicles offered for sale or lease, or sold, or leased, for registration** 

12 in the state be zero-emissions by two thousand thirty-seven, and that

13 one hundred percent of medium-duty and heavy-duty vehicles offered for

14 sale or lease, or sold, or leased, for registration in the state be

15 zero-emissions by two thousand [forty-five] fortytwo for all operations

16 where feasible. It shall be further a goal of the state to transition to

17 one hundred percent zero-emissions from new offroad vehicles and equip-

18 ment purchased beginning in two thousand thirtyfive, 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-

EXPLANATION--Matter in **italics** (underscored) is new; matter in brackets

[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 tioning to zero-emissions vehicles by two thousand thirty-two, eighty 2 percent of the sold or leased fleet transitioning to zero-emissions 3 vehicles by two thousand thirty-seven, and one hundred percent of the 4 sold or leased fleet transitioning to zeroemissions vehicles by two 5 thousand [forty-five] forty-two everywhere feasible. 6 § 3. The environmental conservation law is amended by adding a new 7 section 19-0306-c to read as follows: 8 § 19-0306-c. Advanced clean fleets law for mediumand heavy-duty vehi-9 cles. 10 1. This section shall be known and may be cited and referred to as the "advanced clean fleets law". 11 12 2. As used in this section, the following terms shall have the following meanings: 13 (a) "Break-bulk goods" shall mean goods that 14 are stowed on a drayage truck in individually counted units. 15 16 (b) "Drayage truck" shall mean any in-use on-road vehicle that trans-17 ports cargo, such as containerized bulk or breakbulk goods, between a 18 maritime terminal and intermodal rail facility, distribution center, or 19 other near-port location. (c) "Fleet operator" or "operator" shall mean 20 the individual or busi-21 ness entity, whether in partnership, limited liability company, joint stock company, corporation, or any other form, 22 which owns a truck, or a 23 broker, which, as a principal or agent, sells, offers to sell, or negotiates for truck transportation by a motor 24 carrier for compensation.

25 For the purposes of this paragraph, "truck" shall refer to a medium-duty 26 vehicle, as defined in paragraph (i) of this subdivision, a heavy-duty 27 vehicle, as defined in paragraph (e) of this subdivision, a drayage truck, as defined in paragraph (b) of this 28 subdivision, or any truck, as 29 defined in paragraph (n) of this subdivision, owned, operated, or 30 controlled as part of a high priority fleet, as defined in paragraph (f) 31 of this subdivision. 32 (d) "Gross vehicle weight rating" or "GVWR" shall mean the weight of a 33 vehicle consisting of the unladen weight and the maximum carrying capac-34 ity recommended by the manufacturer of such vehicle. (e) "Heavy-duty vehicle" shall mean a vehicle 35 with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than twenty thousand six 36 hundred pounds. 37 (f) "High priority fleets" shall mean trucking fleets which are owned, operated, or controlled by entities with fifty 38 million dollars or more annual gross revenue and that own, operate, or 39 in control at least one 40 vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of greater than eight thousand five hundred pounds, or trucking fleets which 41 are owned, operated, or controlled by entities which own, operate, or 42 control at least fifty vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 43 greater than eight thou-44 sand five hundred pounds. (g) "Intermodal rail facility" shall mean a 45 facility owned or operated 46 by a public or private entity that receives both dravage trucks and 47 locomotives.

48 (h) "Maritime terminal" shall mean wharves, bulkheads, quays, piers, 49 docks, and other berthing locations and adjacent storage or adjacent 50 areas and structures associated with the primary movement of cargo and goods from vessel to shore, or shore to vessel, 51 including structures 52 which are devoted to receiving, handling, holding, consolidating, and loading or delivery of waterborne shipments or 53 passengers, including 54 areas devoted to the maintenance of the terminal or equipment. A. 6254 3 (i) "Medium-duty vehicle" shall mean a vehicle 1 with a gross vehicle weight rating between fourteen thousand one pounds and twenty thousand 3 six hundred pounds. (j) "Motor carrier" shall mean a common and 4 contract carrier of property by motor vehicle and a common carrier of 5 household goods by motor 6 vehicle. (k) "Near zero emissions" shall refer to a 7 vehicle that uses zero 8 emission technologies or technologies that provide a pathway to zero 9 emission operations or a vehicle that incorporates other technologies 10 that significantly reduce exhaust emissions of any greenhouse gas, criteria pollutant, or precursor pollutant under 11 any and all possible 12 operational modes and conditions. (1) "On-road" shall mean a vehicle that is 13 designed to be driven on 14 public highways, as such term is defined in section one hundred thirtyfour of the vehicle and traffic law, and that is 15 registered or capable

16 of being registered pursuant to article fourteen of the vehicle and 17 traffic law. (m) "Zero emission" shall refer to a vehicle 18 powered by means of a battery or fuel cell or a combination thereof, 19 or another source of 20 power, that produces zero exhaust emissions of any greenhouse gas, criteria pollutant, or precursor pollutant under 21 any and all possible 22 operational modes and conditions. 23 (n) "Truck" shall mean a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of 24 greater than eight thousand five hundred pounds. 3. No later than one year after the effective 25 date of this section, all fleet operators, as defined in paragraph (c) 26 of subdivision two of 27 this section, shall be required to compile and deliver a report to the department which shall detail: 2.8 29 (a) the number and type of contracts the fleet operator may have to 30 deliver items or perform work in the state of New York; (b) what types of facilities the fleet operator 31 uses to store such 32 operator's medium- and heavy-duty vehicle fleet as a home base, and 33 whether such fleet is primarily fueled at such home base; 34 (c) whether such storage facility is owned or leased by the fleet 35 operator; 36 (d) whether such storage facility contains refueling infrastructure and the type of such infrastructure; 37 (e) the body and fuel type of each vehicle of the 38 operator's fleet; (f) how many vehicles in the operator's fleet are 39 zero emission vehi-40 cles or near zero emission vehicles compared to non-zero emission or

41 non-near zero emission vehicles; (g) the weight class of each vehicle in the 42 operator's fleet; 43 (h) the estimated daily and annual mileage of each vehicle in the 44 operator's fleet; 45 (i) whether the operator's fleet has a predictable usage pattern, and 46 if so, a description of such pattern; 47 (j) whether the operator's fleet tows a trailer and if so, a 48 description of the weight and type of such trailer; 49 (k) whether the operator's fleet is registered outside the state of 50 New York, and if so, where such fleet is registered; 51 (1) the percentage of an operator's fleet being driven on public high-52 ways compared to the percentage parked at a facility on an average day; 53 (m) the average annual mileage of the operator's fleet; (n) whether the operator's fleet is equipped with 54 a global positioning 55 system or other form of electronic mileage tracking; A. 6254 4 (o) how many years after purchase or lease a 1 vehicle in the operator's 2 fleet is typically kept; (p) whether the fleet operator is the 3 owner of the fleet or is dispatching vehicles as a broker of such fleet; and 4 (q) any other information the department deems 5 necessary in order to 6 enforce the provisions of this section. 4. (a) Commencing in the year two thousand 7 twenty-nine, no fleet oper-8 ator shall newly purchase or lease a drayage truck in this state unless such truck is a zero emission or near zero emission 9 vehicle.

(b) Commencing in the year two thousand thirty-10 seven, no fleet operator shall maintain or drive a drayage truck in this 11 state unless it is a zero emission or near zero emission vehicle. 12 (c) Commencing in the year two thousand forty-13 two, no fleet operator shall maintain or drive a medium- or heavy-duty 14 vehicle in this state 15 unless it is a zero emission or near zero emission vehicle. 16 (d) Commencing in the year two thousand twentynine, no high priority 17 fleet operator may newly purchase or lease a truck in this state unless such truck is a zero emission or near zero 18 emission vehicle. Also 19 commencing in the year two thousand twenty-nine, all high priority fleet 20 operators must replace a non-zero emission or non-near zero emission truck that has reached the end of its useful life, 21 defined as occurring 2.2 when either (i) the model year for the engine of such truck has exceeded 23 eighteen years, or (ii) such truck has been driven more than eight 24 hundred thousand miles, whichever is sooner, with a zero emission or near zero emission truck. High priority fleet 25 operators shall not be required to replace a non-zero emission or non-26 near zero emission truck that has reached the end of its useful life, 27 however, if such operator has determined that a replacement for such truck 28 is unnecessary because 29 of a reduction in the size of such operator's fleet. (e) (i) The commissioner may, in their 30 discretion, exempt fleet operators from the zero emission or near zero emission 31 fleet requirements

32 described in this subdivision if no such zero emission or near zero 33 emission vehicle model is available for purchase or lease which meets 34 the needs of such fleet operator, in which case the fleet operator shall be able to purchase or lease an alternative 35 vehicle model, including 36 models with an internal combustion engine, where necessary. The 37 commissioner shall promulgate rules and/or regulations to effectuate the 38 provisions of this paragraph. 39 (ii) The department shall maintain, on a publicly accessible website, 40 a list of vehicle models, sortable by manufacturer and model year, which 41 are not yet available as a zero emission or near zero emission vehicle. 5. (a) The department shall establish a 42 navigation program to provide 43 information and assistance to fleet operators relating to the provisions of this section. Such program shall include 44 assistance by a natural 45 person by phone and email as well as the posting of information on a publicly accessible website. 46 47 (b) The navigation program shall provide the following: (i) information about available zero emission and 48 near zero emission 49 models of vehicles for fleet operators covered under this section; (ii) information about available programs to 50 assist fleet operators in 51 the purchasing or lease of zero emission and near zero emission vehi-52 cles, such as but not limited to, vouchers, rebates, competitive grants, 53 low-cost financing, or any other program offered by any public or 54 private entity; and

55 (iii) any other information the department deems relevant in order to

56 <u>compel compliance with the provisions of this</u> <u>section.</u>

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1 (c) The department shall conduct an outreach and education campaign to

2 inform fleet operators of the provisions of this section.

3 <u>6. No later than two years after the effective</u> date of this section,

4 and each year thereafter, the department shall issue a report on the

5 state of the trucking industry as it relates to the provisions of this

6 section. Such report shall include:

7 (a) the number of fleet operators covered by this section and an

8 aggregate description of such operators' fleets, including the number of

9 drayage trucks and medium- and heavy-duty vehicles across the state;

10 (b) the aggregate percentage of vehicles owned, operated, or

11 controlled by fleet operators covered under this section which are zero

12 <u>emission or near zero emission vehicles compared to</u> non-zero emission or

13 non-near zero emission vehicles;

14 (c) an aggregate description of the purchase or lease of new vehicles

15 by fleet operators and whether such vehicles are zero emission or near

16 <u>zero</u> emission vehicles compared to non-zero emission or non-near zero

17 emission vehicles;

18 (d) an aggregate description, by number and percentage, of non-zero

19 <u>emission or non-near zero emission vehicles</u> covered by this section

20 which were not able to be replaced with zero emission or near zero emis-

sion vehicles due to such vehicle model's 21 unavailability, as well as such model's anticipated date, if any, of 22 availability by any vehicle manufacturer; 23 (e) the estimated aggregate annual mileage of 24 fleet operators covered by this section; 25 26 (f) the estimated aggregate annual tailpipe emissions of fleet opera-27 tors covered by this section, based on the mileage reported in paragraph 28 (e) of this subdivision; 29 (q) recommendations for any legislative changes to this section; and 30 (h) any other information the department deems necessary to include as 31 a description of the trucking industry's compliance with this act. 32 Such report shall be delivered on an annual basis to the temporary 33 president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, and the governor. 34 Such report shall also be posted for public review in a clear and 35 conspicuous manner on the department's website. 36 7. (a) Any fleet operator who violates the provisions of subdivision four of this section shall be liable, in the case 37 of a first violation, 38 for a penalty not less than five hundred dollars nor more than eighteen 39 thousand dollars for said violation; provided, however, that the commissioner may in their discretion suspend such penalty 40 for a period of one 41 calendar year. If at the end of such calendar year, such fleet operator remains noncompliant with subdivision four of this 42 section, such penalty shall be reinstated and become immediately due 43 and payable to the 44 commissioner.

45 (b) In the case of a second or any further violation, the liability

46 shall be for a penalty not to exceed twenty-six thousand dollars for

47 said violation.

48 § 4. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after

49 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-

50 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-

51 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and

52 completed on or before such effective date.