

**LOCAL LAWS
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YORK
FOR THE YEAR 1989**

No. 86

Introduced by the Vice Chairman (Council Member Vallone) and Council Member Eisland; also Council Members Leffler, Horwitz, Berman, Messinger, Albanese, Castaneira Colon and Robles.

A LOCAL LAW

To amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to licensing and regulation of for-hire vehicles.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section one. Section 19-503.1 of chapter five of title 19 of the administrative code of the city of New York, as added by local law 76 of 1986, is hereby amended to read as follows:

§19-503.1 For-hire vehicles; special regulations. *a.* The commission shall have the authority to promulgate rules and regulations which classify for-hire vehicles according to the nature of the service or services provided and the type of vehicle used [and], adopt regulations appropriate for each such classification setting forth standards for operation, including but not limited to standards of service, insurance and safety, *and promulgate rules imposing reasonable fines, suspension or revocation upon the holder of a license issued pursuant to section 19-511 where such holder has violated any of the provisions of this chapter or a rule of the commission.*

b. *Where, pursuant to subdivision a hereof, the commission has promulgated, or shall promulgate, rules and regulations requiring that, as a condition for license issuance, for-hire vehicles of any and all types be affiliated with or dispatched from base stations or some other type of central facility licensed pursuant to section 19-511, and applications for such license or renewal thereof are duly filed, the commission shall notify the council member and local community board for the area in which such base station is located of such application.*

§2. Subdivision b of section 19-508 of such chapter, title and code is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. The commission may permit or require the installation of radio or other equipment of specified types in licensed vehicles, except that the commission shall require that all wheelchair accessible vans contain two-way radios where the owner employs a dispatcher, a number of portable fixed seat belts equal to the maximum capacity of the van, safety t[r]ies sufficient to secure any wheelchair or wheelchairs which the van may at any given time be transporting and such other special equipment as the commission shall determine is necessary to insure the safe transportation of physically handicapped persons. *The commission shall require the use of a specified frequency for any radio used by licensed vehicles, said frequency to be assigned by the federal communications commission.*

§3. This local law shall apply to licenses issued or renewed on the June 1st next succeeding adoption of this local law.

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THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK, s.s.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a local law of The City of New York, passed by the Council on November 2, 1989, and approved by the Mayor on November 17, 1989.

CARLOS CUEVAS, City Clerk, Clerk of the Council.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW §27

Pursuant to the provisions of Municipal Home Rule Law §27, I hereby certify that the enclosed local law (Local Law 86 of 1989, Council Int. No. 14-A) contains the correct text and:

Received the following vote at the meeting of the New York City Council on November 2, 1989, 28 for, 0 against

Was approved by the Mayor on November 17, 1989.

Was returned to the City Clerk on November 17, 1989.

JEFFREY D. FRIEDLANDER, Acting Corporation Counsel