**NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY
MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION
submitted in accordance with Assembly Rule III, Sec 1(f)**

**BILL NUMBER:** A6449

**SPONSOR:** Glick

**TITLE OF BILL**: An act to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in

relation to photo speed violation monitoring systems in school speed

zones in the city of New York; to amend chapter 43 of the laws of 2014,

amending the vehicle and traffic law, the public officers law and the

general municipal law relating to photo speed violation monitoring

systems in school speed zones in the city of New York, in relation to

making technical corrections thereto; and to amend chapter 189 of the

laws of 2013, amending the vehicle and traffic law and the public offi-

cers law relating to establishing in a city with a population of one

million or more a demonstration program implementing speed violation

monitoring systems in school speed zones by means of photo devices, in

relation to the effectiveness thereof

**PURPOSE**:

Expands the photo speed violation monitoring systems program for school

speed zones in the city of New York

**SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS**:

Section 1 amends paragraph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 1180-b of the

vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 43 of the laws of 2014 to

expand the use of speed cameras to 750 school zones within the City of

New York Monday through Friday between 6am-10pm.

Section 2 amends paragraph 2 of subdivision (a) of section 1180-b of the

vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 189 of the laws of 2013, by

mandating that the City shall install signs giving notice that a speed

camera is in use.

Section 3 amends paragraph 4 of subdivision (c) of section 1180-b of the

vehicle and traffic law, as added by chapter 189 of the laws of 2013, by

defining a "school speed zone" as being a radial distance not to exceed

one thousand three hundred twenty feet from a school building, entrance

or exit.

Section 4 sets forth an annual reporting requirement.

Section 5 amends the opening paragraph of section 12 of chapter 43 of

the laws of 2014, amending the vehicle and traffic law, the public offi-

cers law and the general municipal law by making technical amendments

regarding the expiration of sections one through ten of this act.

Section 6 makes technical amendments relative to the new sunset date of

July 1, 2022.

Section 7 revives and deems to have been in full force in effect para-

graph 1 of subdivision (a) of section 11-80-b of the vehicle and traffic

law, as amended by section one of this act on and after July 25, 2018

Section 8 establishes a 60 day effective date, provided that amendments

to section 1180-b of the vehicle and traffic law made by sections one,

two, three, and four of this act shall not affect the repeal of such

section and shall be deemed repealed therewith.

**JUSTIFICATION**:

Speeding motorists continue to put schoolchildren in unnecessary danger

in New York City. The New York City Department of Transportation reports

that the risk of pedestrian death from being struck by a speeding vehi-

cle increases from 5% at a speed of 20 miles per hour to 45% at a speed

of 30 miles per hour, a 900% increase.

Chapter 189 of the Laws of 2013 established a five year demonstration

program to allow a small amount of speed safety cameras to be used near

schools in New York City at certain hours of the day. The data from this

demonstration program speaks for itself. The New York City Department of

Transportation reports that there has been a 60% drop in speeding

infractions in locations where speed safety cameras have been installed.

Furthermore, speed safety cameras were able to issue over 1 million

infractions to motorists who were speeding near schools. Currently, only

7% of New York City school children go to a school with a speed safety

camera nearby. It is time to expand this program so that more schools

can benefit from the enhanced safety that is associated with having

speed safety cameras nearby.

**PRIOR LEGISLATIVE HISTORY**:

2017-2018: Similar to A.7798C - Passed Assembly

**FISCAL IMPACT**:

TBD.

**EFFECTIVE DATE**:

This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall have

become a law; provided that the amendments to section 1180-b of the

vehicle and traffic law made by sections one, two, three, and four of

this act shall not affect the repeal of such section and shall be deemed

repealed therewith.