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Res. No. 653

Resolution calling on the New York State Legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign legislation, that would create a program to recover lost tax revenue from New York residents who register their vehicles out of state.

By Council Members Holden and Brannan

Whereas, In New York, a person must register their vehicle with the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) within 30 days of residing in the State; and

Whereas, In order to register a vehicle in New York, a person must have New York car insurance, otherwise they cannot register a vehicle; and

Whereas, First time registrants must pay a license plate fee, title certification fee, and sales taxes; and

Whereas, According to a 2017 article in *Crain's*, some vehicle owners who are New York residents will

register their vehicle out-of-state to avoid paying New York insurance, which is higher than other states; and

Whereas, According the same *Crain's* article, a 2011 state Senate report found that nearly 25 percent of all vehicles involved in collisions in Brooklyn had Pennsylvania license plates, indicating that these vehicles

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were owned by New York residents; and

Whereas, According to the same report, if 25 percent of residents purchase vehicles out of state then it is estimated that the state has lost \$93 million in tax revenue; and

Whereas, In New York City, for example, a vehicle that costs \$35,000 could have approximately \$3,000 in sales taxes; and

Whereas, In addition, these drivers are potentially depriving New York of \$1 million annually in fees for license plates, titles and vehicle registrations; and

Whereas, New York should create a way to identify individuals with New York mailing addresses, who have registered their vehicle out-of-state; and

Whereas, The State should be able recover lost sales taxes from these individuals and ensure that they register in New York; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Council of the City of New York calls up on the New York State legislature to pass, and the Governor to sign, legislation that that would create a program to recover lost tax revenue from New York residents who register their vehicles out of state

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