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By Council Member Johnson, The Public Advocate (Ms. James) and Council Members Cumbo, Levin, Levine, Chin, Koslowitz, Palma, Mendez, Cohen and Dromm

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to requiring taxicabs and for-hire vehicles to be accessible to persons with physical disabilities.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter five of title 19 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new section 19-544 to read as follows:

§ 19-544 Accessibility requirements. a. For purposes of this section, "accessible to persons with disabilities" shall mean any vehicle that is equipped with a lift, ramp, or any other device, arrangement or alteration, so that such vehicle is capable of allowing entry and exit from the side of such vehicle and transporting persons with physical disabilities, including those who use wheelchairs, scooters and similar devices while such persons remain seated in their wheelchairs, scooters or similar devices in accordance with the americans with disabilities act.

b. Beginning January 1, 2020, all taxicabs and for-hire vehicles shall be accessible to persons with disabilities.

§ 2. This local law shall take effect 90 days after its enactment into law.

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