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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to expanding and increasing penalties for drivers who flee TLC enforcement agents

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 19-506 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

1. A person is guilty of unlawful fleeing a New York city taxi and limousine enforcement officer or police officer when, knowing that he or she has been directed to remain stopped by a New York city taxi and limousine enforcement officer or police officer, the driver of a vehicle operating pursuant to a [HAIL] license issued by the commission [who is stopped in a zone where he or she is not permitted to pick up street hails] thereafter attempts to flee such officer by setting the vehicle in motion and either travels over three hundred feet without stopping or engages in conduct constituting reckless driving as defined in section twelve hundred twelve of the vehicle and traffic law. Unlawful fleeing a New York city taxi and limousine enforcement officer or police officer is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than [seven hundred fifty dollars nor more than one thousand dollars] one thousand dollars nor more than two thousand five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment of not more than ninety days or by both such fine and imprisonment. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, any charge alleging a violation of this subdivision shall be returnable before a court having jurisdiction over misdemeanors.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 120 days after it becomes law.

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