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Provides that a person may operate a fully autonomous vehicle on the public roads of this state without a human driver provided that the automated driving system is engaged and the vehicle meets certain conditions; defines terms; requires insurance and that such vehicle is registered as a fully...

Introduced

Risk: High

Comprehensive

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Summary

This bill allows the operation of fully autonomous vehicles on public roads in New York without a human driver, provided conditions such as specific safety standards, registration, and insurance are met.

Business Impact

If you operate fully autonomous vehicles in New York, you must ensure they are registered and insured by the effective date or face penalties.

Key Provisions

- Allows operation of fully autonomous vehicles without a human driver if the automated driving system is engaged and conditions such as safety standards, registration, and insurance are met.
- Mandates registration and insurance for fully autonomous vehicles, specifying criteria for each.
- Defines key terms such as 'automated driving system' and 'fully autonomous vehicle'.
- May impose restrictions on operation in specific areas or conditions.

Compliance Checklist

- Submit proof of insurance for the fully autonomous vehicle. | Who: Vehicle operators. | Penalty: Potential fines for non-compliance.
- Register the vehicle as a fully autonomous vehicle. | Who: Vehicle owners. | Penalty: Potential fines for non-compliance.

- Submit a law enforcement interaction plan to the department. | Who: Vehicle operators. | Penalty: Potential fines or operational restrictions.

Industries Affected

Finance

Transportation

Topics

AI in Insurance

Autonomous Vehicles

Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
Jeremy Cooney	D	Sponsor
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Lea Webb	D	Sponsor

Related Bills

- S01012 (NY)
- S08468 (NY)
- A03650 (NY)
- A00539 (NY)
- A09705 (NY)

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