

# S07956 • New York

Prohibits any motor vehicle with a manufacturers' gross vehicle weight rating of ten thousand one pounds or more which utilizes autonomous vehicle technology from being operated on public highways unless a natural person holding a valid license for the operation of the motor vehicle's class is...

Introduced

Risk: Medium

Amendment

Last Action (Jan 07, 2026): REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION

## Summary

This bill mandates that certain heavy autonomous vehicles cannot operate on public highways without a licensed human operator present.

## Business Impact

If you operate heavy autonomous vehicles in New York, you must ensure a licensed driver is present or face penalties.

## Key Provisions

- Prohibits operation of heavy autonomous vehicles on public highways without a licensed human operator.

## Compliance Checklist

- Ensure a licensed driver is present in heavy autonomous vehicles. | Who: Operators and manufacturers of heavy autonomous vehicles. | Penalty: Potential penalties for non-compliance may apply.

## Industries Affected

Technology

Transportation

Automotive

# Topics

Autonomous Vehicles

## Bill Sponsors

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## Related Bills

- S07758 (NY)
- A08621 (NY)

## Official Source

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