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Provides for and regulates the operation and testing of motor vehicles with autonomous technology.

Introduced

Risk: High

Comprehensive

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Summary

This bill regulates the operation and testing of autonomous vehicles on public highways in New York, ensuring safety and compliance with federal standards. A human operator must be present during testing.

Business Impact

If you operate autonomous vehicles in New York, you must ensure compliance with safety regulations or face penalties.

Key Provisions

- Defines 'autonomous technology' and 'autonomous vehicle'.
- Requires compliance with federal standards for autonomous vehicles.
- Mandates safety features for autonomous vehicles, including alerts for technology failures.
- Allows operation of autonomous vehicles by licensed individuals in autonomous mode.
- Requires testing entities to obtain significant insurance coverage.
- Provides liability protections for manufacturers against defects from third-party conversions.
- Requires a human operator to be present during testing.
- Directs the commissioner of motor vehicles to study and report on autonomous vehicles by February 12, 2016.

Compliance Checklist

- Ensure all autonomous vehicles comply with federal standards and safety requirements. | Who: Manufacturers and operators of autonomous vehicles. | Penalty: Potential legal liability and inability to operate.
- Obtain a minimum of \$5 million in insurance before testing autonomous vehicles. | Who: Entities conducting testing of autonomous vehicles. | Penalty: Inability to legally test vehicles on public

highways.

Industries Affected

Transportation

Technology

Automotive

Topics

Autonomous Vehicles

Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
Greg Ball	R	Sponsor
Kathleen Marchione	R	Sponsor
John Sampson	D	Sponsor

Related Bills

- A1037 (NY)
- A7391 (NY)
- A31 (NY)

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