

NYS Safe Streets Coalition Pass the Complete Streets Maintenance Bill (S2714/A1280)

The Safe Streets Coalition calls on the New York State Senate and Assembly to pass the Complete Streets Maintenance Bill (S2714/A1280).

Bill summary

The Complete Streets Maintenance Bill (S2714/A1280) sponsored by Senator Tim Kennedy and Assemblyman Jon Rivera would require transportation departments across the state to consider complete streets design features on all types of road projects that are undertaken by NYSDOT or that receive both state and federal funding. Complete streets design features on all road projects would allow the necessary design interventions needed to enable safe access for all road users including pedestrians, people using mobility aids, cyclists, and public transit users.

The ask:

The Assembly must pass this bill this session. The legislation was passed by the Senate in the previous session and is in the Assembly Transportation Committee. Once passed, we call on the Governor to support and sign this bill into law.

Why we need this bill:

Current law only requires complete streets design features to be considered on construction and reconstruction and rehabilitation projects, which are often completed only every 10 years at minimum, and therefore many road projects that would benefit from Complete Streets design features do not currently incorporate them.

The Complete Streets Maintenance bill will expand opportunities for Complete Streets design features to be implemented in road projects that happen more frequently such as preventive maintenance and resurfacing projects. Complete Streets save lives, and all New Yorkers deserve safe streets, no matter how they get around.

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