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**Council member Margaret Chin introduces bus safety measures
at today's City Council Stated Meeting**

New York, NY – Today, Council member Margaret Chin and Council member James Vacca, Chair of the Transportation Committee, introduced two pieces of legislation aimed at increasing safety for intercity, discount, and low-fare buses.

Introduction 591, sponsored by Council members Chin and Vacca, is a local law to require the Department of Transportation to post information on its website concerning safety information for all passenger carriers operating in New York City.

Into 591 will require the DOT to post all information relating to safety ratings, violations, and investigations based on unsafe driving, fatigued driving, driver fitness, control substances and alcohol, and vehicle maintenance, as compiled by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration. It will also require the DOT to provide a link to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's website

"This legislation will afford passengers a clear and transparent look into the bus companies they rely on to keep them safe," Council member Chin said. "In the wake of so many fatal accidents, it is time for increased scrutiny of the intercity bus industry. This bill makes it easier for the public to access important safety information and will serve to 'name and shame' bad actors in the industry."

Resolution 892, sponsored by Council members Chin and Vacca, calls on the United States Senate and House of Representatives and to pass and for the President to sign H.R. 873 and S.453 entitled, 'The Motorcoach Enhanced Safety Act of 2011,' which would seek to overhaul and increase the safety of intercity buses.