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Introduced by Sens. JOHNSON, LANZA, LARKIN, LIBOUS, MAZIARZ, McDONALD, O'MARA, ZELDIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to providing for the designation of veterans on drivers' licenses

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 502 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by section 2 of part CC of chapter 58 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

1. Application for license. Application for a driver's license shall be made to the commissioner. The fee prescribed by law may be submitted with such application. The applicant shall furnish such proof of identity, age, and fitness as may be required by the commissioner. The commissioner may also provide that the application procedure shall include the taking of a photo image or images of the applicant in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the commissioner. In addition, the commissioner also shall require that the applicant provide his or her social security number and provide space on the application so that the applicant may register in the New York state organ and tissue donor registry under section forty-three hundred ten of the public health law. FURTHERMORE, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PROVIDE SPACE ON THE APPLICATION SO THAT THE APPLICANT MAY, UPON SUBMISSION OF A COPY OF HIS OR HER DD FORM 214, APPLY FOR NOTATION ON SUCH APPLICANT'S LICENSE AS A VETERAN OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES. In addition, an applicant for a commercial driver's license who will operate a commercial motor vehicle in interstate commerce shall certify that such applicant meets the requirements to operate a commercial motor vehicle, as set forth in public law 99-570, title XII, and title 49 of the code of federal regulations, and all regulations promulgated by the United States secretary of transportation under the hazardous materials transportation act. In addition, an applicant for a commercial driver's license shall submit a medical certificate at such intervals as required by the federal motor carrier safety improvement act of 1999 and Part 383.71(h) of title 49 of

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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the code of federal regulations relating to medical certification and in a manner prescribed by the commissioner. For purposes of this section and sections five hundred three and five hundred ten-a of this title, the term "medical certificate" shall mean a form substantially in compliance with the form set forth in Part 391.43(h) of title 49 of the code of federal regulations. Upon a determination that the holder of a commercial driver's license has made any false statement, with respect to the application for such license, the commissioner shall revoke such license.

S 2. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 1 of section 504 of the vehicle and traffic law, as separately amended by chapters 568 and 639 of the laws of 2006, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Every license or renewal thereof shall contain a distinguishing mark and adequate space upon which an anatomical gift, pursuant to section forty-three hundred ten of the public health law, by the licensee shall be recorded and shall contain such other information and shall be issued in such form as the commissioner shall determine; provided, however, every license or renewal thereof issued to a person under the age of twenty-one years shall have prominently imprinted upon it the statement "UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE" in notably distinctive print or format; PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT EVERY LICENSE OR RENEWAL THEREOF ISSUED TO A PERSON WHO PROVIDES SUCH PROOF, AS THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DETERMINE TO BE SUITABLE INCLUDING A DD FORM 214, THAT SUCH PERSON IS A VETERAN OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES SHALL HAVE PROMINENTLY IMPRINTED UPON IT THE STATEMENT "U.S. VETERAN"; provided further, however, every license or renewal thereof issued to a person making an anatomical gift shall have prominently printed upon the front of such license or renewal thereof the statement "ORGAN DONOR" in notably distinctive print or format. The commissioner shall not require fees for the issuance of such licenses or renewals thereof to persons under twenty-one years of age or to persons making an anatomical gift which are different from the fees required for the issuance of licenses or renewals thereof to persons twenty-one years of age or over or to persons not making an anatomical gift.

S 3. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.