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Introduced by M. of A. ROSENTHAL -- read once and referred to the  
Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requiring driver  
education teachers to educate drivers on new traffic laws that have  
taken effect

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assem-  
bly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 806-a of the education law, as  
2 amended by chapter 644 of the laws of 2002, is amended to read as  
3 follows:  
4 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all school districts  
5 providing instruction in driver education shall include in such instruc-  
6 tion: (a) a driver safety component with an emphasis on the effects of  
7 alcohol and drug use, (b) instruction in motorcycle safety awareness and  
8 (c) a detailed summary of new traffic laws that have taken effect in the  
9 twelve months since the instruction started. The commissioner, upon  
10 approval by the commissioner of motor vehicles, shall establish a  
11 curriculum for the alcohol and drug education component which shall  
12 include but not be limited to: instruction describing the hazards of  
13 driving while impaired or intoxicated; the penalties for alcohol related  
14 motor vehicle violations including sanctions set forth in the penal law  
15 that apply to homicides and assaults arising out of the operation of a  
16 motor vehicle while intoxicated and those sanctions set forth in the  
17 vehicle and traffic law relating to driving while intoxicated; and the  
18 medical, biological and physiological effects of the consumption of  
19 alcohol and their impact on the operation of a motor vehicle.  
20 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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