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AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to parking spaces for handicapped persons

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 4 of section 502 of the vehi-
2 cle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 585 of the laws of 2002, is
3 amended and a new paragraph (h) is added to read as follows:
4 (b) Upon successful completion of the requirements set forth in para-
5 graph (a) of this subdivision which shall include an alcohol and drug
6 education component as described in paragraph (c) of this subdivision, a
7 "Road Rage" awareness component as described in paragraph (c-1) of this
8 subdivision [and], a "Work Zone Safety" awareness component as described
9 in paragraph (c-2) of this subdivision, AND INSTRUCTION IN THE LAWS
10 RELATING TO PARKING SPACES FOR THE HANDICAPPED AS DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH
11 (H) OF THIS SUBDIVISION, the commissioner shall cause the applicant to
12 take a road test in a representative vehicle of a type prescribed by the
13 commissioner which shall be appropriate to the type of license for which
14 application is made, except that the commissioner may waive the road
15 test requirements for certain classes of applicants. The commissioner
16 shall have the power to establish a program to allow persons other than
17 employees of the department to conduct road tests in representative
18 vehicles when such tests are required for applicants to obtain a class
19 A, B or C license. If she chooses to do so, she shall set forth her
20 reasons in writing and conduct a public hearing on the matter. She shall
21 only establish such a program after holding the public hearing.

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

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1 (H) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PROVIDE IN THE PRE-LICENSING COURSE, SET
2 FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SUBDIVISION A MANDATORY COMPONENT IN
3 EDUCATION OF THE LAWS RELATING TO HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE PARKING.
4 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall be deemed to
5 have been in full force and effect on the same date as section 2 of
6 chapter 585 of the laws of 2002 took effect.