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AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to establishing an organ donor information education component

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

Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subdivision 4 of section 502 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 585 of the laws of 2002, is amended and a new paragraph (h) is added to read as follows:

(d) The commissioner shall make available for distribution upon registration at each location where the pre-licensing course will be given, instructional handbooks outlining the content of the entire curriculum of the pre-licensing course including the information required to be included in the course pursuant to paragraphs (c), (c-1) [and], (c-2) AND (H) of this subdivision. The commissioner shall also provide for the additional training of the instructors necessary for the competent instruction of the alcohol and drug education and "Road Rage" awareness and "Work Zone Safety" awareness subject matters of the pre-licensing course.

(H) ORGAN DONOR INFORMATION EDUCATION COMPONENT. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL PROVIDE IN THE PRE-LICENSING COURSE, SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (B) OF THIS SUBDIVISION A MANDATORY COMPONENT INFORMING PROSPECTIVE LICENSEES OF THE IMPORTANCE OF BECOMING AN ORGAN DONOR AND THE ORGAN DONOR INFORMATION PRINTED ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THE DRIVER'S LICENSE AS A PREREQUISITE FOR OBTAINING A LICENSE TO OPERATE A MOTOR VEHICLE. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL ESTABLISH A CURRICULUM FOR THE ORGAN DONOR INFORMATION EDUCATION COMPONENT WHICH SHALL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO THE IMPORTANCE OF ANATOMICAL GIFTS; AND THE PROPER MANNER OF EXECUTING THE ORGAN DONOR INFORMATION ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THE DRIVER'S LICENSE.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law; provided, however, any rules or regulations necessary for the implementation of this act on its effective date shall be promulgated on or before such date.

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

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