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AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to drug and alcohol testing of school bus drivers

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

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 509-g of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 149 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

1. A biennial examination pursuant to regulations established by the commissioner, by a physician, a certified nurse practitioner to the extent authorized by law and consistent with the written practice agreement pursuant to subdivision three of section six thousand nine hundred two of the education law, or a registered physician assistant who is not the personal physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant of the driver. Included shall be a requirement to conduct a vision test AND A TEST FOR THE PRESENCE OF DRUGS AND/OR ALCOHOLIC CONTENT IN THE DRIVER'S BLOOD AND WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ACCIDENTS, DICTATE A MORE THOROUGH INVESTIGATION AND REVIEW pursuant to regulations issued by the commissioner.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the sixtieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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