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AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to requiring the commissioner to update a licensee's photo image at least every eight years

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subdivision 6 of section 502 of the vehi-
2 cle and traffic law, as amended by section 3 of part K of chapter 59 of
3 the laws of 2009, is amended to read as follows:
4 (a) A license issued pursuant to subdivision five of this section
5 shall be valid until the expiration date contained thereon, unless such
6 license is suspended, revoked or cancelled. Such license may be renewed
7 by submission of an application for renewal, the fee prescribed by law,
8 proofs of prior licensing, fitness and acceptable vision prescribed by
9 the commissioner, the applicant's social security number, and if
10 required by the commissioner a photo image of the applicant in such
11 numbers and form as the commissioner shall prescribe. THE COMMISSIONER
12 SHALL, AT A MINIMUM OF EVERY EIGHT YEARS, UPDATE A LICENSEE'S PHOTO
13 IMAGE AND SHALL PROVIDE LICENSEES WITH THE OPTION OF SUBMITTING SUCH
14 PHOTO IMAGE ELECTRONICALLY IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE COMMISSIONER AT
15 NO ADDITIONAL COST TO THE LICENSEE. In addition, an applicant for
16 renewal of a license containing a hazardous material endorsement shall
17 pass an examination to retain such endorsement. The commissioner shall,
18 with respect to the renewal of a hazardous materials endorsement, comply
19 with the requirements imposed upon states by sections 383.141 and
20 1572.13 of title 49 of the code of federal regulations. A renewal of
21 such license shall be issued by the commissioner upon approval of such
22 application, except that no such license shall be issued if its issuance
23 would be inconsistent with the provisions of section five hundred
24 sixteen of this title, and except that the commissioner may refuse to

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

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1 renew such license if the applicant is the holder of a currently valid
2 or renewable license to drive issued by another state or foreign country
3 unless the applicant surrenders such license.
4 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately; provided, however, that
5 effective immediately, the addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule
6 or regulation necessary for the timely implementation of this act on its
7 effective date are authorized and directed to be made and completed on
8 or before such effective date.