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## IN SENATE

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AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to requiring the pre-licensing course to include information on organ and tissue donation and how to register as an organ donor

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

Section 1. Subparagraph (i) of paragraph (a) of subdivision 4 of section 502 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 458 of the laws of 2011, is amended to read as follows:

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(i) Upon submission of an application for a driver's license, the applicant shall be required to take and pass a test, or submit evidence 5 6 of passage of a test, with respect to the laws relating to traffic, the relating to driving while ability is impaired and while intoxicated, under the overpowering influence of "Road Rage", or "Work Zone Safe-8 9 ty" awareness as defined by the commissioner, the law relating to exercising due care to avoid colliding with a parked, stopped or standing 10 authorized emergency vehicle or hazard vehicle pursuant to section elev-11 en hundred forty-four-a of this chapter, the ability to read and compre-12 13 hend traffic signs and symbols and such other matters as the commissioner may prescribe, and to satisfactorily complete a course prescribed by 14 the commissioner of not less than four hours and not more than five 15 classroom driver training and highway safety 16 hours, consisting of instruction or the equivalent thereof, AND SHALL ALSO INCLUDE INFORMA-17 18 TION ON ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION AND HOW TO REGISTER AS AN ORGAN DONOR. 19 Such test shall include at least seven written questions concerning the effects of consumption of alcohol or drugs on the ability of a person to 20 21 operate a motor vehicle and the legal and financial consequences result-22 from violations of section eleven hundred ninety-two of this chapter, prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Such test shall include one or more written 23 24 questions concerning the devastating effects of "Road Rage" on the abil-25 26 ity of a person to operate a motor vehicle and the legal and financial consequences resulting from assaulting, threatening or interfering with 27

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

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the lawful conduct of another person legally using the roadway. Such test shall include one or more questions concerning the potential dangers to persons and equipment resulting from the unsafe operation of a motor vehicle in a work zone. Such test may include one or more ques-5 tions concerning the law for exercising due care to avoid colliding with 6 a parked, stopped or standing authorized emergency vehicle or hazard vehicle pursuant to section eleven hundred forty-four-a of this chapter. 7 8 Such test shall be administered by the commissioner. The commissioner shall cause the applicant to take a vision test and a test for color 9 10 blindness. Upon passage of the vision test, the application may be accepted and the application fee shall be payable. 11 12

S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law.