STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

August 1, 2018

Introduced by Sen. LANZA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Rules

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to allowing the Yeshiva of Staten Island to provide driver education courses in alternate locations

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 507 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 215 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

1. Driver education. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this article, a class D or class M license, whichever is appropriate, may be issued to a minor seventeen years of age who has successfully completed a driver education course approved by the state education department and the commissioner in a high school or college and who has submitted proof of completion of the minimum hours of supervised driving as required in paragraph (d) of subdivision two of section five hundred two of this article**; provided however, the Yeshiva of Staten Island, which operates as a high school, may provide driver education courses at the Arthur Kill Road Jewish Community Center of Staten Island and the Manor Road Jewish Community Center of Staten Island, located in the county of Richmond**. No such driver education course may be approved unless classroom training is provided by a person approved by the state education department and the commissioner. However, a school district may contract with one or more licensed drivers' schools to provide behind the wheel training, pursuant to regulations promulgated by the commissioner. The commissioner shall prescribe the requirements for licensing of such minors. A student enrolled in such an approved driver education course may operate a motor vehicle without holding a driver's license or a learner's permit while under the immediate supervision of an instructor in such course or a driver's school instructor providing behind the wheel training in such a course, provided such operation is in accordance with the rules established by the commissioner. Every student who successfully completes such course in a day, evening or summer school

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

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program offered by a public or private school shall receive certification of such completion on a certificate prescribed by the commissioner.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.