

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

January 10, 2018

Introduced by Sen. RITCHIE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs

AN ACT directing the commissioner of the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to develop a plan to increase the number of skills required as part of the Firefighter certification, or the Firefighter Recruit I and II certifications, which can be completed at a trainee's home department or online

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

1 Section 1. The commissioner of the Division of Homeland Security and
2 Emergency Services is hereby authorized and directed to identify any
3 skills currently required to be taught in an academic setting, or train-
4 ing center as part of the coursework required to test for the Firefight-
5 er certification, or the Firefighter Recruit I and II certifications, as
6 defined in part 426 of title 19 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regu-
7 lations (NYCRR) that may be safely taught at a trainee's home department
8 or through an online course.

9 § 2. Such commissioner is directed to deliver a report to the chair of
10 the Senate Majority Task Force on Counterterrorism and Public
11 Protection, and the chair of the Senate Labor committee within six
12 months of the effective date of this act. Such report shall address the
13 overall mandate of this act and shall suggest ways to increase the
14 number of certified instructors and certified fire training programs as
15 described in parts 426.4 and 426.2 of title 19 of the NYCRR.

16 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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