

# STATE OF NEW YORK

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## IN SENATE

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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 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee -- reported favorably from said committee, ordered to first and second report, ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

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 in consultation with New York state fire service  
3 organizations, is hereby authorized and directed to identify any skills  
4 currently required to be taught in an academic setting, or training  
5 center as part of the coursework required to test for the Firefighter  
6 certification, or the Firefighter Recruit I and II certifications, as  
7 defined in part 426 of title 19 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) that may be safely taught at a trainee's home department  
8 or through an online course.

10 § 2. Such commissioner is directed to deliver a report to the chair of  
11 the Senate Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs committee  
12 within six months of the effective date of this act. Such report shall  
13 address the overall mandate of this act and shall suggest ways to  
14 increase the number of certified instructors and certified fire training  
15 programs as 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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