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## IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. HUNTER, HYNDMAN, WILLIAMS, COOK, OTIS, HEVESI --  
read once and referred to the Committee on Social Services

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to employee human trafficking recognition training; and relating to authorizing the establishment of a standardized human trafficking recognition training program

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

1 Section 1. The social services law is amended by adding a new section  
2 483-gg to read as follows:

3 § 483-gg. Human-trafficking recognition training. Any public transpor-  
4 tation service, including, but not limited to, rail passenger service,  
5 motorbus regular route service, paratransit service, motorbus charter  
6 service, and ferry passenger service, shall require all customer-facing  
7 employees to undergo a human-trafficking recognition training program  
8 established by the division of criminal justice services and the office  
9 of temporary and disability assistance in consultation with the depart-  
10 ment of labor and the New York state interagency task force on human  
11 trafficking. For the purposes of this section the term "customer-facing  
12 employee" shall mean any employee whose job involves interacting or  
13 communicating directly with customers.

14 § 2. In consultation with the New York Interagency Task Force on Human  
15 Trafficking and the commissioner of labor, the commissioner of the divi-  
16 sion of criminal justice services and the commissioner of the office of  
17 temporary and disability assistance shall together establish a standard-  
18 ized human-trafficking recognition training program for employees of  
19 public transportation services. The commissioners may use federal,  
20 state, and non-profit organization sources provided that such training  
21 program shall address no less than the following issues:

22 (a) The nature of human trafficking;

23 (b) How human trafficking is defined in law;

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

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- 1 (c) How to identify victims of human trafficking;
- 2 (d) Relief and recovery options for survivors; and
- 3 (e) Social and legal services available to victims.

4 The commissioner of the division of criminal justice services and the  
5 commissioner of the office of temporary and disability assistance shall  
6 complete the human-trafficking recognition training program and make it  
7 available for use no more than six months after the effective date of  
8 this act.

9 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.