

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 21, 2020

Introduced by M. of A. STIRPE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to parking spaces for handicapped persons

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 4 of section 502 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by chapter 355 of the laws of 2017, is 2 amended and a new paragraph (i) is added to read as follows:

3 (b) Upon successful completion of the requirements set forth in paragraph (a) of this subdivision which shall include an alcohol and drug 4 education component as described in paragraph (c) of this subdivision, a 5 "Road Rage" awareness component as described in paragraph (c-1) of this 6 subdivision and a "Work Zone Safety" awareness component as described in 7 paragraph (c-2) of this subdivision, and a "Motorcycle Safety" awareness 8 component as described in paragraph (c-3) of this subdivision, and 9 instruction in the laws relating to parking spaces for the handicapped 10 as described in paragraph (i) of this subdivision, the commissioner 11 shall cause the applicant to take a road test in a representative vehicle 12 of a type prescribed by the commissioner which shall be appropriate 13 to the type of license for which application is made, except that the 14 commissioner may waive the road test requirements for certain classes of 15 applicants. The commissioner shall have the power to establish a program 16 to allow persons other than employees of the department to conduct road 17 tests in representative vehicles when such tests are required for applicants 18 to obtain a class A, B or C license. If he or she chooses to do 19 so, he or she shall set forth her reasons in writing and conduct a 20 public hearing on the matter. [~~she~~] He or she shall only establish such 21 a program after holding the public hearing. 22

23 (i) The commissioner shall provide in the pre-licensing course, set 24 forth in paragraph (b) of this subdivision a mandatory component in 25 education of the laws relating to handicapped accessible parking. 26

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

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1 § 2. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 4 of section 502 of the vehicle and
2 traffic law, as amended by chapter 513 of the laws of 2019, is amended
3 to read as follows:

4 (b) Upon successful completion of the requirements set forth in para-
5 graph (a) of this subdivision which shall include an alcohol and drug
6 education component as described in paragraph (c) of this subdivision, a
7 "Road Rage" awareness component as described in paragraph (c-1) of this
8 subdivision and a "Work Zone Safety" awareness component as described in
9 paragraph (c-2) of this subdivision, a "Motorcycle Safety" awareness
10 component as described in paragraph (c-3) of this subdivision, and a
11 "School Bus Safety" awareness component as described in paragraph (c-4)
12 of this subdivision, and instruction in the laws relating to parking
13 spaces for the handicapped as described in paragraph (i) of this subdi-
14 vision. the commissioner shall cause the applicant to take a road test
15 in a representative vehicle of a type prescribed by the commissioner
16 which shall be appropriate to the type of license for which application
17 is made, except that the commissioner may waive the road test require-
18 ments for certain classes of applicants. The commissioner shall have the
19 power to establish a program to allow persons other than employees of
20 the department to conduct road tests in representative vehicles when
21 such tests are required for applicants to obtain a class A, B or C
22 license. If he or she chooses to do so, he or she shall set forth her
23 reasons in writing and conduct a public hearing on the matter. [~~She~~] He
24 or she shall only establish such a program after holding the public
25 hearing.

26 § 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
27 it shall have become a law; provided, however, that if chapter 513 of
28 the laws of 2019 shall not have taken effect on or before such date then
29 section two of this act shall take effect on the same date and in the
30 same manner as such chapter of the laws of 2019 takes effect.