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Introduced by Sens. KENNEDY, ADDABBO -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the general business law, in relation to requiring helicopter pilots to have completed certain training before operating a helicopter within the state

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

Section 1. Section 241 of the general business law, as added by chapter 233 of the laws of 1928, is amended to read as follows:

§ 241. Qualifications of operator; federal license**; helicopter safety**. **1.** The public safety requiring, and the advantages of uniform regulation making it desirable, in the interest of aeronautical progress, that a person engaging within this state in operating aircraft, in any form of avigation for which a license to operate aircraft issued by the United States government would then be required if such avigation were interstate, should have the qualifications necessary for obtaining and holding such a license, it shall be unlawful for any person to engage in operating aircraft within the state, in any such form of avigation, unless he **or she** have such a license.

2. In addition to the requirements of subdivision one of this section, it shall be unlawful for any person to engage in operating a helicopter within the state, in any such form of avigation, unless he or she has completed a helicopter safety and risk management training course utilizing a flight simulator training device certified by either the federal aviation administration or the European aviation safety agency.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall have become a law.

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

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