

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

March 20, 2024

Introduced by M. of A. FAHY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to training requirements for police officers on the operation of authorized emergency vehicles

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

1 Section 1. Section 840 of the executive law is amended by adding a new
2 subdivision 8 to read as follows:

3 8. The council shall, in addition:

4 (a) Develop, maintain and disseminate, in consultation with the
5 department of motor vehicles, written policies and procedures regarding
6 the operation of authorized emergency vehicles, as defined by section
7 one hundred one of the vehicle and traffic law, by police officers. Such
8 policies and procedures shall make provisions for the training of new
9 and veteran police officers on the operation of such authorized emergen-
10 cy vehicles;

11 (b) Recommend to the commissioner rules and regulations with respect
12 to the establishment and implementation on an ongoing basis of a train-
13 ing program for all current and new police officers regarding the poli-
14 cies and procedures established pursuant to this subdivision, along with
15 recommendations for periodic retraining of police officers, which shall
16 include:

17 (i) a minimum of forty hours of training to be included in the basic
18 course for police officers; and

19 (ii) a minimum of four hours of training to be included in police
20 in-service training courses; and

21 (c) Disseminate the policy promulgated in accordance with this subdi-
22 vision, regarding operation of authorized emergency vehicles by police
23 officers, to all police departments in this state and develop a model
24 training program for all current and new police officers regarding such
25 policies and procedures established pursuant to this subdivision.

26 § 2. Section 841 of the executive law is amended by adding a new
27 subdivision 10 to read as follows:

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

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1 10. Promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement training
2 policies and procedures for new and veteran police officers on the oper-
3 ation of authorized emergency vehicles developed pursuant to subdivision
4 eight of section eight hundred forty of this article.
5 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.