§ 224-a. Establishment of the highway construction and maintenance safety education program. 1. The commissioner of transportation, after consultation with the commissioner of the department, shall promulgate rules and regulations regarding the establishment and implementation of a highway construction and maintenance safety education program. The highway construction and maintenance safety education program shall be established for the purpose of providing education, advocacy and increased awareness of laws pertaining to protecting the safety of highway construction and maintenance workers. The program shall provide funding for activities such as public service announcements, public education and awareness campaigns, distribution of literature, and any other activities that are consistent with such purposes.

2. It shall be the duty of the commissioner of transportation to make a biennial report to the governor, the temporary president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly which shall be due on the first of April every second year following implementation of the program and shall include an assessment of the effectiveness of the program, recommendations for expanding or improving the program and any problems or other matters related to the administration of the program.