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SYNOPSIS

Requires transportation network company drivers to participate in educational training course on dangers, harms, and warning signs of human trafficking.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



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1 **AN ACT** concerning educational training for transportation network
2 company drivers and amending P.L.2017, c.26.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
5 *of New Jersey:*

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7 1. Section 16 of P.L.2017, c.26 (C.39:5H-16) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 16. A transportation network company shall require an applicant,
10 as defined in section 2 of P.L.2017, c.26 (C.39:5H-2), to submit a
11 transportation network company driver application to the
12 transportation network company. The application shall include the
13 applicant's address, age, and social security number, a copy of the
14 applicant's driver's license, motor vehicle registration, and
15 automobile liability insurance, and any other information required by
16 the transportation network company.

17 Prior to approval of an applicant, a transportation network
18 company shall require an applicant to participate in an educational
19 training course approved by the Attorney General on the dangers,
20 harms, and warning signs of human trafficking.
21 (cf: P.L.2017, c.26, s.16)

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23 2. Within 90 days of the effective date of this act, each
24 transportation network company driver shall participate in an
25 educational training course approved by the Attorney General on the
26 dangers, harms, and warning signs of human trafficking. Upon
27 completion of the educational training course, the driver shall
28 provide a certification that the educational training has been
29 completed to any transportation network company whose digital
30 network the driver uses. If a driver fails to complete the training
31 course and provide a transportation network company with the
32 certification required pursuant to this section, the transportation
33 network company shall prohibit the driver from utilizing its digital
34 network to provide rides unless the driver submits a new application
35 to the transportation network company to be a driver and the
36 application is approved.

37 On the 91st day following the effective date of this act, each
38 transportation network company shall create a list of drivers who did
39 not complete the certification required pursuant to this section by the
40 required date. Completion of the certification, or failure to do so,
41 shall be noted in the individual record of each transportation network
42 company driver required to be maintained pursuant to section 25 of
43 P.L.2017, c.26 (C.39:5H-25).

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45 3. This act shall take effect on the 60th day following enactment,

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 except that the Attorney General shall take such administrative action
2 as may be necessary in advance of that date to ensure the timely
3 implementation of this act.

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STATEMENT

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8 This bill requires transportation network company (TNC) drivers
9 and applicants to complete an educational training course on the
10 dangers and harms of human trafficking, which is to be approved by
11 the Attorney General. Under the bill, failure of a TNC driver to
12 complete the educational training course and provide certification to
13 the TNC will result in removal from the TNC's digital network and
14 require the driver to resubmit an application to be a TNC driver.