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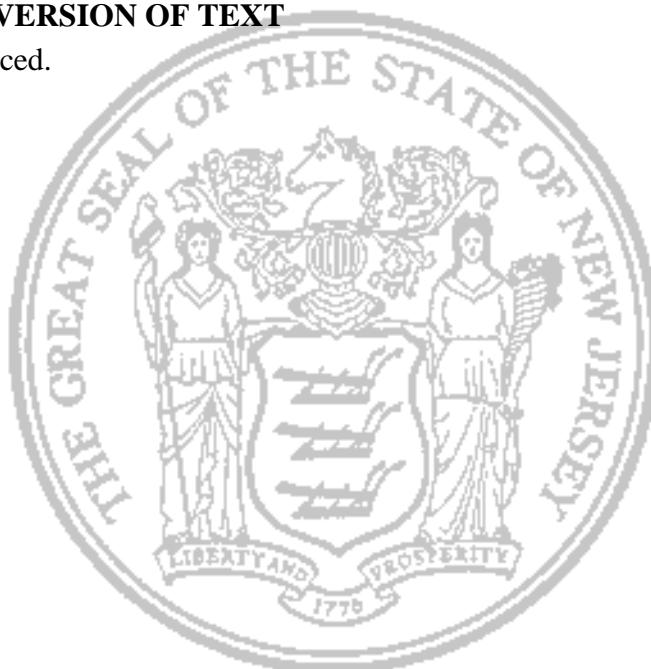
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SYNOPSIS

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
8 read as follows:

9 16. A transportation network company shall require an
10 applicant, as defined in section 2 of P.L.2017, c.26 (C.39:5H-2), to
11 submit a 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
16 by 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
26 the 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
39 did not complete the certification required pursuant to this section
40 by the required date. Completion of the certification, or failure to
41 do so, shall be noted in the individual record of each transportation
42 network company driver required to be maintained pursuant to
43 section 25 of P.L.2017, c.26 (C.39:5H-25).

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 3. This act shall take effect on the 60th day following
2 enactment, except that the Attorney General shall take such
3 administrative action as may be necessary in advance of that date to
4 ensure the timely implementation of this act.

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STATEMENT

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