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Education Law Part 5, Section 3650(2)

§ 3650. Comprehensive school bus driver safety training program.

2. The commissioner, in consultation with the state commission on quality care and advocacy for persons with disabilities, shall promulgate rules and regulations requiring every school bus driver operating a school bus which has or will have one or more students with a disability as passengers to receive training and instruction relating to the understanding of, and attention to, the special needs of such students. Such training and instruction may be included with the training and instruction required pursuant to paragraph a of subdivision one of this section and shall be provided at least once per year or more frequently as determined by the commissioner in consultation with the state comprehensive school bus driver safety training council. For the purposes of this subdivision, the term "student with a disability" shall have the same meaning as such term is defined in subdivision one of section forty-four hundred one of this chapter. Any person employed as a school bus driver on January first, two thousand nine who is subject to the provisions of this subdivision shall comply with the requirements of this subdivision by July first, two thousand nine. Any school bus driver hired after January first, two thousand nine who is subject to the requirements of this subdivision shall complete such training and instruction prior to assuming his or her duties.