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Present law requires individuals who apply for a driver's license to submit written evidence of successful completion of either a "driver education course" or "prelicensing training course".

Present law requires the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, public safety services, to establish rules and regulations to administer and define the requirements of driver education and prelicensing training courses.

Proposed law retains present law and requires driver education and prelicensing training courses to include course content relative to appropriate driver conduct when stopped by a law enforcement officer.

Present law requires individuals, as part of the application procedure to obtain a license to operate a motor vehicle, to pass a road knowledge test which includes rules of the road, signs, and signals, sharing the road with motorcycles and tractor/trailer trucks, economic effects of littering, distracted driving, trailer safety, and not less than two questions relative to railroad and highway grade crossing safety, and knowledge of all relevant traffic regulations.

Proposed law retains present law and adds requirement that the road knowledge test include knowledge of appropriate driver conduct when stopped by a law enforcement officer.

Effective January 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 32:402.1(A)(1)(a) and (2)(b), 407(A)(2)(a), and 408(A)(1))