

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 1, 2013

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 722**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Lowenthal**

February 21, 2013

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An act to amend Section 12517.2 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 722, as amended, Lowenthal. Vehicles: driver's licenses: medical examinations.

Existing law requires applicants for an original or renewal certificate to drive a schoolbus, school pupil activity bus, youth bus, general public paratransit vehicle, or farm labor vehicle to submit a report, on a form approved by the department, of a medical examination of the applicant given not more than 2 years prior to the date of the application by a physician licensed to practice medicine, a licensed advanced practice registered nurse qualified to perform a medical examination, or a licensed physician assistant.

This bill would add a doctor of chiropractic *and a certified medical examiner, as specified*, to the list of persons who may make a report of a medical examination of the specified applicants.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12517.2 of the Vehicle Code is amended
- 2 to read:

1 12517.2. (a) Applicants for an original or renewal certificate  
2 to drive a schoolbus, school pupil activity bus, youth bus, general  
3 public paratransit vehicle, or farm labor vehicle shall submit a  
4 report of a medical examination of the applicant given not more  
5 than two years prior to the date of the application by a physician  
6 licensed to practice medicine, a licensed advanced practice  
7 registered nurse qualified to perform a medical examination, a  
8 licensed physician assistant, ~~or a doctor of chiropractic.~~ *a licensed*  
9 *doctor of chiropractic, or a licensed medical examiner listed on*  
10 *the most current National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners,*  
11 *as adopted by the United States Department of Transportation, as*  
12 *published by the notice in the Federal Register, Volume 77, Number*  
13 *77, Friday, April 20, 2012, on pages 24104 to 24135, inclusive,*  
14 *and pursuant to Section 391.42 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal*  
15 *Regulations.* The report shall be on a form approved by the  
16 department.

17 (b) Schoolbus drivers, within the same month of reaching 65  
18 years of age and each 12th month thereafter, shall undergo a  
19 medical examination, pursuant to Section 12804.9, and shall submit  
20 a report of that medical examination on a form as specified in  
21 subdivision (a).