**Section 8000.10 Introduction**

a) Section 143.29 of the Illinois Insurance Code provides for an appropriate reduction of the premium for automobile liability insurance of those insureds over the age of 55 who successfully complete a motor vehicle accident prevention course. The Secretary of State is given the authority to approve motor vehicle accident prevention courses, course instructors, and record maintenance regarding certification of course completion.

b) Definitions.

For the purpose of this Part, the following terms shall have these meanings:

"Course" shall mean *an in person, virtual, or eLearning motor vehicle accident prevention course which is found by the Secretary of State to meet or exceed the standards of the National Safety Council's Defensive Driving Course's 8-hour classroom safety instruction program.* [215 ILCS 5/143.29(a)

"Director" shall mean the Director of the Driver Services Department of the Secretary of State's Office.

“eLearning” shall mean self-guided learning conducted via electronic media, typically on the internet, with or without the participation of a proctor.

"In-Person" shall mean learning conducted while an instructor and students are present together in the same physical space.

"Instructor" shall mean an individual who has been approved by both the Provider and Program Administrator for the purpose of conducting an approved in-person or virtual motor vehicle accident prevention course.

"Program Administrator" shall mean the Secretary of State employee or department designated by the Secretary as responsible for administering the provisions of this Part.

“Provider” shall mean an entity or organization that conducts an approved motor vehicle accident prevention course.

"Secretary" shall mean the Illinois Secretary of State.

"Successful completion" shall mean attendance at an in-person, eLearning, or virtual class, participation in the entire course, and the satisfactory completion of either knowledge checks/quizzes throughout the course or a final examination at the conclusion of the course, as required under Section 8000.20(a) of this Part.

"Virtual" shall mean learning conducted by a live instructor approved by the Program Administrator, in real time, using video conferencing technology.

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