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AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to the establishment of the New York state veterans cemetery act

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "New York state veterans cemetery act".

S 2. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 369 to read as follows:

S 369. VETERANS CEMETERY PROGRAM. THE DIVISION IS HEREBY DIRECTED TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION AND STUDY ON THE ISSUE OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW YORK STATE VETERANS CEMETERY PROGRAM WHICH WILL BE A BENEFICIAL AND ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION FOR SERVING THE VETERANS OF THE STATE. AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER THE COMMENCEMENT OF SUCH STUDY, THE DIVISION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE FEDERAL VETERANS ADMINISTRATION CEMETERY GRANTS PROGRAM A PRE-APPLICATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ONE OR MORE VETERANS CEMETERIES. SUCH INVESTIGATION AND STUDY SHALL BE COMPLETED ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN. WITHIN NINETY DAYS OF THE COMPLETION OF SUCH INVESTIGATION AND STUDY, THE DIVISION WHICH WILL BE A BENEFICIAL AND ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION FOR SERVING THE VETERANS OF THE STATE SHALL COMPLETE AND DELIVER, TO THE CHAIR OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, HOMELAND SECURITY AND MILITARY AFFAIRS AND THE CHAIR OF THE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS A REPORT ON SUCH INVESTIGATION AND STUDY, CONTAINING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW YORK STATE VETERANS CEMETERY PROGRAM. SUCH RECOMMENDA-

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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TIONS SHALL INCLUDE WHAT MEASURES NEED TO BE TAKEN BY THIS STATE TO ESTABLISH SUCH A PROGRAM, WHAT LAWS SHOULD BE AMENDED OR ADDED TO ESTABLISH SUCH A PROGRAM, AND WHAT FISCAL RESOURCES WOULD NEED TO BE APPROPRIATED AND EXPENDED, IF ANY, TO ESTABLISH SUCH A PROGRAM.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.