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I N S E N A T E
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AN ACT to amend the executive law and the social services law, in relation to developing plans to adequately address military sexual trauma experienced by female veterans

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

Section 1. Section 353 of the executive law is amended by adding a new subdivision 21 to read as follows:
21. TO DEVELOP AND ENCOURAGE PLANS FOR ASSISTANCE AND BENEFITS WHICH ADEQUATELY ADDRESS MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA EXPERIENCED BY FEMALE VETERANS.

S 2. The social services law is amended by adding a new section 179 to read as follows:

S 179. ASSISTANCE TO FEMALE VETERANS. PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION TWENTYONE OF SECTION THREE HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE OF THE EXECUTIVE LAW, ANY VETERAN ORGANIZATION DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION THREE OF SECTION ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT OF THIS TITLE SHALL PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AND BENEFITS TO FEMALE VETERANS WHICH ADEQUATELY ADDRESS MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA EXPERIENCED BY SUCH VETERANS AS DEVELOPED BY THE STATE DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS OR HIS OR HER AGENT.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

