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I N S E N A T E

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AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to the performance of a study regarding homeless women who are veterans in the state of New York

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

1 Section 1. Section 353 of the executive law is amended by adding a new
2 subdivision 6-a to read as follows:
3 6-A. TO CONDUCT A STUDY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY
4 AND DISABILITY SERVICE, DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, AND OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND
5 FAMILY SERVICES TO DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF HOMELESS WOMEN IN NEW YORK
6 STATE THAT ARE VETERANS. SUCH STUDY SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED
7 TO: (A) AN ANALYSIS OF FEMALE VETERANS IN NEW YORK STATE WHO ARE
8 CURRENTLY HOMELESS, OR HAVE BEEN HOMELESS WITHIN FIVE YEARS OF BEING
9 RELEASED FROM ACTIVE DUTY; (B) DATA ON THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN OF HOME-
10 LESS WOMEN VETERANS, INCLUDING THE CURRENT PLACEMENT OF SUCH CHILDREN;
11 (C) CASES OF MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA EXPERIENCED BY HOMELESS WOMEN VETER-
12 ANS WHILE ON ACTIVE DUTY OR DURING MILITARY TRAINING; AND (D) THE UNEM-
13 PLOYMENT RATE FOR NEW YORK STATE FEMALE VETERANS. THE TERM "CHILDREN OF
14 HOMELESS VETERANS" SHALL MEAN A PERSON WHO IS UNMARRIED AND WHO IS UNDER
15 THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN YEARS, AND IS THE BIOLOGICAL OR LEGALLY ADOPTED
16 CHILD OF A FEMALE VETERAN. A WRITTEN REPORT OF SUCH STUDY SHALL BE
17 DELIVERED TO THE GOVERNOR, THE SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY AND THE TEMPORARY
18 PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE BY JUNE THIRTIETH, TWO THOUSAND FIFTEEN AND SUCH
19 INFORMATION REQUIRED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL BE UPDATED EVERY
20 TWO YEARS. SUCH REPORT SHALL BE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE AND POSTED ON THE
21 DIVISION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS WEBSITE.
22 S 2. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
23 have become a law.

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

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