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Introduced by M. of A. JAFFEE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Tourism, Parks, Arts and Sports Development

AN ACT to authorize the New York council on the arts to award certificates of merit to artists in selected disciplines

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

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule, regulation or policy to the contrary, it shall be permissible for the New York state council on the arts to select and award certificates of merit together with an honorarium not to exceed $10,000 per awardee to individuals in artistic or cultural disciplines within the purview of such council; if such honorarium and award is established in statute.

The procedures and guidelines as are necessary to effect the provisions of this act shall be established by the New York state council on the arts, but shall require at a minimum, that the candidates be born in New York state and have engaged in their respective work primarily in this state.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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