

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 26, 2018

Introduced by M. of A. PICHARDO -- read once and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to the enhanced tuition awards

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Paragraphs a and d of subdivision 1 of section 667-d of the education law, as added by section 1 of part III of chapter 59 of the laws of 2017, are amended to read as follows:

a. Establishment. Enhanced tuition awards are available for students who are enrolled in approved programs in private ~~[not for profit]~~ degree granting institutions of higher education except those institutions set forth in paragraph b of subdivision four of section six hundred sixty-one of this part and who demonstrate the ability to complete such courses, in accordance with standards established by the commissioner; provided, that, no award shall exceed one hundred percent of the amount of tuition charged.

d. Credit requirements. An award shall be made to an applicant who: (i) if enrolled in (A) a private degree granting institution of higher education prior to application, has completed at least thirty combined credits per year following the student's start date, or its equivalent, applicable to his or her program or programs of study or (B) a public degree granting institution of higher education prior to application, has completed at least thirty combined credits per year following the student's start date, or its equivalent, applicable to his or her program or programs of study and which were accepted upon transfer to a private degree granting institution of higher education; (ii) enrolls in at least twelve credits per semester and completes at least thirty combined credits per year following the student's start date, or its equivalent, applicable to his or her program or programs of study except in limited circumstances as prescribed by the corporation in regulation. Notwithstanding, in the student's last semester, the student may take at least one course needed to meet his or her graduation requirements and enroll in and complete at least twelve credit hours or its equivalent.

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

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1 For students who are disabled as defined by the Americans With Disabili-
2 ties Act of 1990, 42 USC 12101, the corporation shall prescribe rules
3 and regulations that allow applicants who are disabled to be eligible
4 for an award pursuant to this section based on modified criteria.
5 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.