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

AN ACT to amend the tax law and the state finance law, in relation to providing for taxpayer gifts for heart disease prevention and education and establishing the heart disease prevention and education fund

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

Section 1. The tax law is amended by adding a new section 209-G to read as follows:

S 209-G. GIFT FOR HEART DISEASE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION. EFFECTIVE FOR ANY TAX YEAR COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TEN, A TAXPAYER IN ANY TAXABLE YEAR MAY ELECT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUPPORT OF THE HEART DISEASE EDUCATION AND PREVENTION FUND. SUCH CONTRIBUTION SHALL BE IN ANY WHOLE DOLLAR AMOUNT AND SHALL NOT REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF THE STATE TAX OWED BY SUCH TAXPAYER. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL INCLUDE SPACE ON THE CORPORATE INCOME TAX RETURN TO ENABLE A TAXPAYER TO MAKE SUCH CONTRIBUTION. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, ALL REVENUES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE HEART DISEASE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION FUND AND SHALL BE USED ONLY FOR THOSE PURPOSES ENUMERATED IN SECTION EIGHTY-NINE-H OF THE STATE FINANCE LAW.

S 2. Part 2 of article 22 of the tax law is amended by adding a new section 630-b to read as follows:

S 630-B. GIFT FOR HEART DISEASE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION. EFFECTIVE FOR ANY TAX YEAR COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TEN, AN INDIVIDUAL IN ANY TAXABLE YEAR MAY ELECT TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE HEART DISEASE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION FUND. SUCH CONTRIBUTION SHALL BE IN ANY WHOLE DOLLAR AMOUNT AND SHALL NOT REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF STATE TAX OWED BY SUCH INDIVIDUAL. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL INCLUDE SPACE ON THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX RETURN TO ENABLE A TAXPAYER TO MAKE SUCH CONTRIBUTION. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW ALL REVENUES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE CREDITED TO THE HEART DISEASE PREVENTION

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

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AND EDUCATION FUND AND USED ONLY FOR THOSE PURPOSES ENUMERATED IN SECTION EIGHTY-NINE-H OF THE STATE FINANCE LAW.

S 3. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section 89-h to read as follows:

S 89-H. HEART DISEASE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION FUND. 1. THERE IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED IN THE JOINT CUSTODY OF THE COMMISSIONER OF TAXATION AND FINANCE AND THE COMPTROLLER, A SPECIAL FUND TO BE KNOWN AS THE "HEART DISEASE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION FUND".

2. SUCH FUND SHALL CONSIST OF ALL REVENUES RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION TWO HUNDRED NINE-G AND SECTION SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-B OF THE TAX LAW AND ALL OTHER FUNDS OR SOURCES PURSUANT TO LAW. NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL PREVENT THE STATE FROM RECEIVING GRANTS, GIFTS OR BEQUESTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE FUND AS DEFINED IN THIS SECTION AND DEPOSITING THEM INTO THE FUND ACCORDING TO LAW.

3. MONIES OF THE FUND SHALL BE EXPENDED ONLY FOR HEART DISEASE PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION AND SHALL BE ADMINISTERED BY THE MARY LASKER HEART AND HYPERTENSION INSTITUTE PURSUANT TO SECTION TWENTY-SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAW.

4. MONIES SHALL BE PAYABLE FROM THE FUND ON THE AUDIT AND WARRANT OF THE COMPTROLLER ON VOUCHERS APPROVED AND CERTIFIED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH.

5. TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH SHALL ENSURE THAT ALL MONIES RECEIVED DURING A FISCAL YEAR ARE EXPENDED PRIOR TO THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR.

S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.