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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to crediting of student progress in licensed trade or registered business schools

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

Section 1. Paragraph f of subdivision 4 of section 5002 of the education law, as added by chapter 457 of the laws of 2003, is amended to read as follows:

f. Notwithstanding any other provision of [the] law, a [not-for-profit] LICENSED TRADE OR registered business school, [that is eligible for participation in the tuition assistance program and which has national accreditation] ACCREDITED BY AN ACCREDITING AGENCY RECOGNIZED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, may[, for the purpose of calculation of federal financial aid amounts only,] measure students' academic progress in an approved curriculum in non-degree granting credit hours, based upon [a national] SUCH accrediting agency's conversion and approval of clock hours to non-degree GRANTING credit hours. [For the purposes of this paragraph, "national accreditation" shall mean accreditation by a national accrediting agency as defined in the commissioner's regulations.] THE SCHOOLS' CATALOG AND ENROLLMENT AGREEMENT SHALL STATE THAT THE NON-DEGREE GRANTING CREDIT HOURS DO NOT LEAD TO ANY DEGREE AND ARE NOT EQUIVALENT TO A CREDIT HOUR OFFERED AT A DEGREE GRANTING INSTITUTION. THE SCHOOLS' CATALOG WILL LIST THE LENGTH OF EACH COURSE IN BOTH CLOCK HOURS AND THE CORRESPONDING AMOUNT OF NON-DEGREE GRANTING CREDIT HOURS.

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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