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Introduced by M. of A. BURLING, BUTLER, BARRA, CALHOUN, ALFANO, TOWNSEND, KOLB, FINCH, WALKER, RAIA, BALL, TOBACCO -- Multi-Sponsored by
-- M. of A. BACALLES, BARCLAY, CONTE, CROUCH, ERRIGO, FITZPATRICK,
GIGLIO, HAWLEY, HAYES, McDONOUGH, McKEVITT, MILLER, OAKS, REILICH,
SAYWARD, SCOZZAFAVA, SPANO, TEDISCO, THIELE -- read once and referred
to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT to amend the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, in relation to the free use of campsites by former prisoners of war

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

Section 1. Section 13.19 of the parks, recreation and historic preservation law, as amended by chapter 649 of the laws of 1977, is amended to read as follows:

S 13.19 Free use of campsites. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, any person who is blind, non-ambulatory, or an amputee, or ANY FORMER PRISONER OF WAR, A RECIPIENT OF THE PURPLE HEART, OR any veteran of the wars of the United States, SUCH VETERAN who has at any time been awarded by the federal government an allowance towards the purchase of an automobile or is eligible for such an award shall be permitted to use any of the public campsites, parks and other public places of recreation in this state, upon the same terms and conditions as apply to the general public, but without the payment of any fees or other charges for the use of such campsites, parks and other public places of recreation.

15 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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