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## 2009-2010 Regular Sessions

## IN SENATE

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AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to providing a credit against tax for the purchase and installation of grab bars

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

Section 1. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subsection (qq) to read as follows:

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- (QQ) CREDIT FOR INSTALLATION OF GRAB BARS. (1) A RESIDENT OWNER OF REAL PROPERTY, AS DEFINED IN SUBDIVISION TWELVE OF SECTION ONE HUNDRED TWO OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW, WHO IS A QUALIFIED SENIOR CITIZEN SHALL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX OTHERWISE DUE UNDER THIS ARTICLE IN AN AMOUNT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:
- (A) A CREDIT OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTAL-LATION REQUIRING ANCHORING BY SCREWS OR TOGGLES WHERE THERE IS NO REMOVAL OF SURFACE TILES OR SURROUNDING FACADE WITHIN THE TUB AREA;
- 11 (B) A CREDIT OF FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION 12 REQUIRING ANCHORING THAT ENTAILS THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF 13 SURROUNDING SURFACE TILES AND/OR FACADE; OR
  - (C) A CREDIT OF EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION REQUIRING ANCHORING THAT ENTAILS THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF SURFACE TILES AND UNDERLAYMENT BEHIND THE REMOVED TILES.
- 17 (2) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, "QUALIFIED SENIOR CITIZEN"
  18 SHALL MEAN A SENIOR CITIZEN WHO IS SIXTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, OR
  19 INDIVIDUALS CONSIDERED DISABLED AND RECEIVING SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY
  20 BENEFITS.
- 21 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to 22 personal income taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2010.

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

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