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I N A S S E M B L Y

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Introduced by M. of A. JOHN -- read once and referred to the Committee
on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to changing the eligibil-
ity dates for a military enhanced recognition, incentive and tribute
("MERIT") scholarship to include the Lebanon conflict

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph a of subdivision 1 of section 668-e of the educa-
2 tion law, as added by chapter 106 of the laws of 2003, is amended to
3 read as follows:
4 a. Notwithstanding subdivisions three and five of section six hundred
5 sixty-one of this title, children, spouses and financial dependents of a
6 member of the armed forces of the United States or state organized mili-
7 tia who at any time ON OR AFTER THE FIRST DAY OF JUNE, NINETEEN HUNDRED
8 EIGHTY-THREE TO THE FIRST OF DECEMBER, NINETEEN HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN OR
9 on or after the second day of August, nineteen hundred ninety, while in
10 service in the armed forces of the United States, as defined by subdivi-
11 sion eight of section one of the military law or in a force of the state
12 organized militia, as defined in subdivision nine of section one of the
13 military law: (i) while a legal resident of New York state, died, became
14 severely and permanently disabled or was classified as missing in action
15 in a combat theater or combat zone of operations as part of military
16 operations, or died as a result of injury or illness suffered or
17 incurred during such military service; or (ii) while a legal resident of
18 New York state, died or became severely and permanently disabled as a
19 result of injury or illness suffered or incurred during military train-
20 ing operations in preparation for duty in a combat theater or combat
21 zone of operations.
22 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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