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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to establishing a candidacy period for institutions seeking the authority to grant degrees

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

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 218 of the education law, as added by chapter 1160 of the laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

2. No institution shall be given power to confer associate degrees in this state unless it shall possess financial resources which, in the judgment of the regents, are adequate to insure satisfactory conduct of its degree programs and achievement of its stated educational goals. NO LICENSED PRIVATE SCHOOL OR INSTITUTION SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO CONFER ANY DEGREES UNTIL IT HAS BEEN EVALUATED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND BOARD OF REGENTS FOLLOWING A CANDIDACY PERIOD OF AT LEAST THREE YEARS.

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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