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

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to prohibiting the defer-
ral of awards granted under the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)

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

1 Section 1. Section 667 of the education law is amended by adding a new
2 subdivision 4 to read as follows:
3 4. DEFERRAL OF TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AWARDS PROHIBITED. UNDER NO
4 CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL AN AWARD GRANTED UNDER THE TUITION ASSISTANCE
5 PROGRAM (TAP) PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION BE DEFERRED UNTIL THE STUDENT
6 RECIPIENT GRADUATES FROM HIS OR HER COURSE OF STUDY. THE PRESIDENT SHALL
7 PAY A TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AWARD TO THE STUDENT RECIPIENT IN A
8 REASONABLE TIMEFRAME IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE STUDENT RECIPIENT IS ABLE TO
9 APPLY THE AWARD TOWARD HIS OR HER TUITION BILL ON TIME. NO TUITION
10 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SHALL BE MADE CONTINGENT UPON THE STUDENT'S GRADU-
11 ATION FROM HIS OR HER UNDERGRADUATE OR GRADUATE COURSE OF STUDY.
12 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately, and shall apply to
13 academic quarters and semesters beginning on or after August 1, 2009.

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

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