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AN ACT to amend the military law, in relation to extending certain benefits afforded with respect to judicial proceedings where the minor dependent of a military member is involved as a party

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

1 Section 1. Section 304 of the military law, as amended by chapter 507
2 of the laws of 1991, is amended to read as follows:
3 S 304. Proceedings to be stayed unless interest unaffected by military
4 service. At any stage thereof, any action or proceeding in any court or
5 in any adjudicatory or licensing proceeding before any state agency,
6 including any public benefit corporation or public authority, or any
7 political subdivision of the state, in which a person in military
8 service OR A MINOR DEPENDENT OF A MILITARY MEMBER is involved as a
9 party, during the period of such service or within sixty days thereafter
10 may, in the discretion of the court or adjudicatory or licensing agency
11 before which it is pending, on its own motion, and shall, on application
12 to it by such person or some person on his OR HER behalf, be stayed as
13 provided in this [act] ARTICLE, unless, in the opinion of the court or
14 adjudicatory or licensing agency, the ability of plaintiff to prosecute
15 the action, or the defendant to conduct his OR HER defense, or in any
16 adjudicatory or licensing proceeding the ability of the party to repre-
17 sent his OR HER interest, is not materially affected by reason of his OR
18 HER military service OR MILITARY SERVICE OF THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF
19 SUCH MINOR DEPENDENT.
20 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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