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AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to establishing a credit for developing a college to work program

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

1 Section 1. Section 210 of the tax law is amended by adding a new 2 subdivision 22-a to read as follows:

3 22-A. CREDIT FOR COLLEGE TO WORK PROGRAM. (A) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT. A 4 TAXPAYER SHALL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT, TO BE COMPUTED AS HEREINAFTER 5 PROVIDED, AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE, BASED UPON ITS 6 PAYMENT OF TUITION TO AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION ON BEHALF OF AN FOR THE INDIVIDUAL AGREEING TO WORK FOR THE 7 IN EXCHANGE INDIVIDUAL 8 TAXPAYER FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, AS SET IN A WRITTEN FORTH AGREEMENT 9 BETWEEN THE TAXPAYER AND THE INDIVIDUAL.

(B) TUITION. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CREDIT, THE TERM "TUITION" SHALL 10 THE TUITION AND FEES PAID FOR THE ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE OF AN 11 MEAN INDIVIDUAL AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AS WELL AS MONIES PAID 12 FOR TEXTBOOKS IN CONNECTION WITH ATTENDANCE AT AN INSTITUTION OF 13 HIGHER 14 EDUCATION. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, ANY AMOUNTS WHICH HAVE BEEN PAID FOR OR 15 REIMBURSED BY ANY OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS OR FINANCIAL AID, OR TUITION REQUIRED FOR ENROLLMENT OR ATTENDANCE IN A COURSE OF STUDY LEADING TO 16 THE GRANTING OF A POST BACCALAUREATE OR OTHER GRADUATE DEGREE, SHALL BE 17 EXCLUDED FROM THE DEFINITION OF "TUITION". 18

19 (C) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CREDIT, 20 THE TERM "INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION" SHALL MEAN ANY INSTITUTION OF 21 HIGHER EDUCATION, RECOGNIZED AND APPROVED BY THE REGENTS, OR ANY SUCCES-SOR ORGANIZATION, OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK OR 22 ACCRED-23 ITED BY A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ACCREDITING AGENCY OR ASSOCIATION 24 ACCEPTED AS SUCH BY THE REGENTS, OR ANY SUCCESSOR ORGANIZATION, OF THE25 STATE OF NEW YORK, WHICH PROVIDES A COURSE OF STUDY UNIVERSITY OF THE

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

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LEADING TO THE GRANTING OF A POST-SECONDARY DEGREE, CERTIFICATE OR DIPLOMA. (D) QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CREDIT, THE TERM "QUAL-IFIED INDIVIDUAL" SHALL MEAN ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT A SPOUSE, CHILD OR DEPENDENT OF THE TAXPAYER OR ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT A SPOUSE, CHILD OR DEPENDENT OF ANY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE TAXPAYER. (E) WRITTEN AGREEMENT. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CREDIT, THE TERM "WRITTEN SHALL MEAN A DOCUMENT SIGNED AND DATED BY BOTH THE TAXPAYER AGREEMENT" AND THE QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL WHICH CONTAINS PROVISIONS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM SALARY WHICH THE TAXPAYER WILL PAY TO THE OUALI-FIED INDIVIDUAL UPON COMPLETION OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S DEGREE; THE REQUIRED DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT UPON COMPLETION OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S DEGREE; AND THE PARTIES' RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE EVENT THAT THE TAXPAYER CEASES OPERATIONS OR LATER DECIDES NOT TO OFFER EMPLOYMENT TO THE INDI-VIDUAL UPON COMPLETION OF HIS/HER DEGREE OR IN THE EVENT THAT THE QUALI-FIED INDIVIDUAL FAILS TO COMPLETE THE DEGREE OR TO WORK FOR THE TAXPAYER FOR THE AGREED UPON TERM. (F) AMOUNT OF CREDIT. NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF ANY OTHER LAW, A TAXPAYER WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE PAYMENT OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S TUITION UNDER THE COLLEGE TO WORK PROGRAM ESTABLISHED BY THIS SUBDIVISION, SHALL ALLOWED A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE, TO THE ΒE EXTENT OF TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF MONIES PAID FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL'S TUITION, BUT SUCH CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR ONE YEAR FOR EACH SUCH QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL. (G) CARRYOVER. THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION FOR ANY TAXA-BLE YEAR SHALL NOT REDUCE THE TAX DUE FOR SUCH YEAR TO LESS THAN THE HIGHER OF THE AMOUNTS PRESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPHS (C) AND (D) OF SUBDIVI-SION ONE OF THIS SECTION. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, IF THE AMOUNT OF CREDIT ALLOWABLE UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR REDUCES THE TAX TO SUCH AMOUNT, ANY AMOUNT OF CREDIT NOT DEDUCTIBLE IN SUCH TAXABLE YEAR MAY BE CARRIED OVER TO THE FOLLOWING YEAR OR YEARS, AND MAY BE DEDUCTED

32 FROM THE TAXPAYER'S TAX FOR SUCH YEAR OR YEARS.
33 S 2. Clause (xxxi) of subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection
34 (i) of section 606 of the tax law, as added by section 14 of part Q of
35 chapter 57 of the laws of 2010, is renumbered clause (xxxii) and a new
36 clause (xxxiii) is added to read as follows:

37	(XXXIII) COLLEGE TO WORK PROGRAM	AMOUNT OF CREDIT UNDER
38	CREDIT UNDER SUBSECTION (S-1)	SUBDIVISION TWENTY-TWO-A
39		OF SECTION TWO HUNDRED TEN

40 S 3. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new subsection 41 (s-1) to read as follows:

42 (S-1) CREDIT FOR COLLEGE TO WORK PROGRAM. (1) ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT. A 43 TAXPAYER SHALL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT, TO BE COMPUTED AS HEREINAFTER 44 PROVIDED, AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE, BASED UPON SUCH 45 TAXPAYER'S PAYMENT OF TUITION TO AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION ON 46 BEHALF OF AN INDIVIDUAL IN EXCHANGE FOR THE INDIVIDUAL AGREEING TO WORK 47 FOR THE TAXPAYER FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, AS SET FORTH IN A WRITTEN AGREE-48 MENT BETWEEN THE TAXPAYER AND THE INDIVIDUAL.

49 (2) TUITION. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CREDIT, THE TERM "TUITION" SHALL
50 MEAN THE TUITION AND FEES PAID FOR THE ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE OF AN
51 INDIVIDUAL AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AS WELL AS MONIES PAID
52 FOR TEXTBOOKS IN CONNECTION WITH ATTENDANCE AT AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER
53 EDUCATION. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, ANY AMOUNTS WHICH HAVE BEEN PAID FOR OR
54 REIMBURSED BY ANY OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS OR FINANCIAL AID, OR TUITION

1 REQUIRED FOR ENROLLMENT OR ATTENDANCE IN A COURSE OF STUDY LEADING TO 2 THE GRANTING OF A POST BACCALAUREATE OR OTHER GRADUATE DEGREE, SHALL BE 3 EXCLUDED FROM THE DEFINITION OF "TUITION".

4 (3) INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CREDIT, 5 THE TERM "INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION" SHALL MEAN ANY INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, RECOGNIZED AND APPROVED BY THE REGENTS, OR ANY SUCCES-6 7 SOR ORGANIZATION, OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK OR ACCRED-ITED BY A NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ACCREDITING AGENCY OR ASSOCIATION 8 ACCEPTED AS SUCH BY THE REGENTS, OR ANY SUCCESSOR ORGANIZATION, OF THE 9 10 UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WHICH PROVIDES A COURSE OF STUDY LEADING TO THE GRANTING OF A POST-SECONDARY DEGREE, CERTIFICATE 11 OR 12 DIPLOMA.

(4) QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CREDIT, THE TERM "QUAL14 IFIED INDIVIDUAL" SHALL MEAN ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT A SPOUSE, CHILD
15 OR DEPENDENT OF THE TAXPAYER OR ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT A SPOUSE,
16 CHILD OR DEPENDENT OF ANY OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE TAXPAYER.

(5) WRITTEN AGREEMENT. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS CREDIT, THE TERM "WRITTEN 17 AGREEMENT" SHALL MEAN A DOCUMENT SIGNED AND DATED BY BOTH THE TAXPAYER 18 19 AND THE QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL WHICH CONTAINS PROVISIONS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE MINIMUM SALARY WHICH THE TAXPAYER WILL PAY TO THE QUALI-20 21 FIED INDIVIDUAL UPON COMPLETION OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S DEGREE; THE REQUIRED DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT UPON COMPLETION OF THE INDIVIDUAL'S DEGREE; 22 AND PARTIES' RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE EVENT THAT THE TAXPAYER 23 THE 24 CEASES OPERATIONS OR LATER DECIDES NOT TO OFFER EMPLOYMENT TO THE INDI-25 VIDUAL UPON COMPLETION OF HIS/HER DEGREE OR IN THE EVENT THAT THE QUALI-26 FIED INDIVIDUAL FAILS TO COMPLETE THE DEGREE OR TO WORK FOR THE TAXPAYER FOR THE AGREED UPON TERM. 27

(6) AMOUNT OF CREDIT. NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF ANY OTHER LAW, A TAXPAYER WHO PROVIDES FOR THE PAYMENT OF AN INDIVIDUAL'S TUITION UNDER THE COLLEGE TO WORK PROGRAM ESTABLISHED BY THIS SUBSECTION, SHALL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE, TO THE EXTENT OF TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF MONIES PAID FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL'S TUITION, BUT SUCH CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR ONE YEAR FOR EACH SUCH QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL.

(7) CARRYOVER. IF THE AMOUNT OF CREDIT ALLOWABLE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION
FOR ANY TAXABLE YEAR SHALL EXCEED THE TAXPAYER'S TAX AMOUNT, ANY AMOUNT
OF THE EXCESS MAY BE CARRIED OVER TO THE FOLLOWING YEAR OR YEARS, AND
MAY BE DEDUCTED FROM THE TAXPAYER'S TAX FOR SUCH YEAR OR YEARS.

39 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to all 40 taxable years commencing after January 1, 2010.