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I N S E N A T E

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Introduced by Sen. RIVERA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to certain tuition waivers for police officer students of the state university of New York and the city university of New York; to amend chapter 548 of the laws of 2004, amending the education law relating to certain tuition waivers for police officer students of the city university of New York, in relation to extending the provisions of such chapter; and providing for the repeal of certain provisions upon expiration thereof

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

1 Section 1. Paragraph h of subdivision 2 of section 355 of the educa-  
2 tion law is amended by adding a new subparagraph 1-a to read as follows:  
3 (1-A) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF ANY OTHER GENERAL, SPECIAL OR  
4 LOCAL LAW, RULE OR REGULATION, SUCH REGULATIONS SHALL PERMIT POLICE  
5 OFFICERS, AS SUCH TERM IS DEFINED IN SECTION TWO HUNDRED NINE-Q OF THE  
6 GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW, WHO ARE ENROLLED IN PROGRAMS LEADING TO BACCALAU-  
7 REATE OR HIGHER DEGREES AT STATE-OPERATED INSTITUTIONS OF THE STATE  
8 UNIVERSITY TO ATTEND UP TO TWO COURSES PER SEMESTER OR QUARTER WITHOUT  
9 TUITION, PROVIDED THAT SUCH TUITION-WAIVED ATTENDANCE DOES NOT DENY  
10 COURSE ATTENDANCE AT A STATE-OPERATED INSTITUTION BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO  
11 IS OTHERWISE QUALIFIED UNDER THE REGULATIONS PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO  
12 THIS SECTION.

13 S 2. Paragraph (c) of subdivision 7 of section 6206 of the education  
14 law, as added by chapter 548 of the laws of 2004, is amended to read as  
15 follows:

16 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other general, special or  
17 local law, rule or regulation, the board of trustees shall promulgate  
18 regulations to permit [members of the New York city police department  
19 employed in the rank of police officer] POLICE OFFICERS, AS SUCH TERM IS  
20 DEFINED IN SECTION TWO HUNDRED NINE-Q OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW, who  
21 are enrolled in programs leading to baccalaureate or higher degrees at a  
22 senior college of the city university to attend [one course] UP TO TWO  
23 COURSES PER SEMESTER OR QUARTER without tuition, provided that such

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

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1 [course is related to their employment as police officers and that such]  
2 tuition-waived attendance does not deny course attendance at a senior  
3 college of the city university by an individual who is otherwise quali-  
4 fied under this section.

5 S 3. Section 2 of chapter 548 of the laws of 2004, amending the educa-  
6 tion law relating to certain tuition waivers for police officer students  
7 of the city university of New York, as amended by chapter 190 of the  
8 laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

9 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall expire and be  
10 deemed repealed July 1, [2012] 2014.

11 S 4. This act shall take effect immediately; provided that:

12 1. section one of this act shall expire and be deemed repealed July 1,  
13 2014; and

14 2. the amendments to paragraph (c) of subdivision 7 of section 6206 of  
15 the education law made by section two of this act shall not affect the  
16 expiration and repeal of such paragraph and shall expire and be deemed  
17 repealed therewith.