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Introduced by Sen. RITCHIE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations

AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to providing for a credit against personal income tax for volunteer firefighters and members of volunteer ambulance corps

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

1     Section 1. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new  
2     subsection (uu) to read as follows:  
3     (UU) VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND MEMBERS OF VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS  
4     SERVICE CREDIT. IN THE CASE OF A MEMBER OF A VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
5     OR A MEMBER OF A VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS WHO HAS BEEN A MEMBER IN GOOD  
6     STANDING WITH A VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT FOR A MINIMUM OF FIVE YEARS AND WHO  
7     MAINTAINS CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY, IN THIS STATE, THERE SHALL BE ALLOWED  
8     A CREDIT AGAINST ANY INCOME TAX OWED BY SUCH MEMBER IN AN AMOUNT WHICH  
9     IS EQUAL TO THE SUM OF ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS OR THE TOTAL  
10    AMOUNT OF THE TAX OWED BY THE TAXPAYER IF LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND TWO  
11    HUNDRED DOLLARS, WHICHEVER IS LOWER.  
12    S 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2013 and shall apply to  
13    taxable years beginning on or after such date. Effective immediately the  
14    commissioner of taxation and finance is authorized to promulgate any and  
15    all rules and regulations and take any other measures necessary to  
16    implement this act on its effective date on or before such date.

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

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