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I N A S S E M B L Y

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Introduced by M. of A. RAMOS, HAWLEY, MAGNARELLI -- read once and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT to amend the real property tax law, in relation to authorizing the commissioner of taxation and finance to develop in consultation with the director of the New York state division of veterans' affairs a listing of documents to be used to establish veterans' eligibility for certain property tax exemptions

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 458 of the real property tax law is amended by
2 adding a new subdivision 10 to read as follows:
3 10. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DEVELOP IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DIRECTOR
4 OF THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS A LISTING OF DOCU-
5 MENTS TO BE USED TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY UNDER THIS SECTION, INCLUDING
6 BUT NOT LIMITED TO A CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE OR DISCHARGE FROM ACTIVE
7 DUTY ALSO KNOWN AS A DD-214 FORM OR AN HONORABLE SERVICE
8 CERTIFICATE/REPORT OF CAUSALITY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. SUCH
9 INFORMATION SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO EACH COUNTY, CITY, TOWN OR
10 VILLAGE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, OR CONGRESSIONAL CHARTERED VETERANS SERVICE
11 OFFICERS WHO REQUEST SUCH INFORMATION. THE LISTING OF ACCEPTABLE MILI-
12 TARY RECORDS SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET WEBSITES OF THE
13 DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS AND THE OFFICE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX
14 SERVICES.
15 S 2. Section 458-a of the real property tax law is amended by adding a
16 new subdivision 9 to read as follows:
17 9. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DEVELOP IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF
18 THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS A LISTING OF DOCUMENTS
19 TO BE USED TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY UNDER THIS SECTION, INCLUDING BUT
20 NOT LIMITED TO A CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE OR DISCHARGE FROM ACTIVE DUTY
21 ALSO KNOWN AS A DD-214 FORM OR AN HONORABLE SERVICE CERTIFICATE/REPORT
22 OF CAUSALITY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. SUCH INFORMATION SHALL BE
23 MADE AVAILABLE TO EACH COUNTY, CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE,
24 OR CONGRESSIONAL CHARTERED VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS WHO REQUEST SUCH
25 INFORMATION. THE LISTING OF ACCEPTABLE MILITARY RECORDS SHALL BE MADE

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

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1 AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET WEBSITES OF THE DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS
2 AND THE OFFICE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES.

3 S 3. Section 458-b of the real property tax law is amended by adding a
4 new subdivision 8 to read as follows:

5 8. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DEVELOP IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DIRECTOR OF
6 THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS A LISTING OF DOCUMENTS
7 TO BE USED TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY UNDER THIS SECTION, INCLUDING BUT
8 NOT LIMITED TO A CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE OR DISCHARGE FROM ACTIVE DUTY
9 ALSO KNOWN AS A DD-214 FORM OR AN HONORABLE SERVICE CERTIFICATE/REPORT
10 OF CAUSALITY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE. SUCH INFORMATION SHALL BE
11 MADE AVAILABLE TO EACH COUNTY, CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE,
12 OR CONGRESSIONAL CHARTERED VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS WHO REQUEST SUCH
13 INFORMATION. THE LISTING OF ACCEPTABLE MILITARY RECORDS SHALL BE MADE
14 AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET WEBSITES OF THE DIVISION OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS
15 AND THE OFFICE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES.

16 S 4. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
17 it shall have become a law; provided that, effective immediately, the
18 commissioner of the department of taxation and finance and the director
19 of the New York state division of veterans' affairs are authorized and
20 directed to promulgate and implement any rules and regulations necessary
21 for the implementation of the provisions of this act on or before its
22 effective date.