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AN ACT to amend the military law, in relation to providing that Afghanistan and Iraq war veterans receive tuition free education at schools of the state university of New York or the city university of New York

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

Section 1. The military law is amended by adding a new article 5 to read as follows:

ARTICLE V

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SECTION 100. TUITION FREE EDUCATION FOR VETERANS OF THE AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ WARS.

S 100. TUITION FREE EDUCATION FOR VETERANS OF THE AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ WARS. 1. "AFGHANISTAN OR IRAQ WAR VETERAN" MEANS A PERSON (I) WHO IS A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE, AND (II) WHO SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES IN AN AREA DESIGNATED AS A COMBAT ZONE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES DURING OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM OR OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, WHO WAS DISCHARGED THEREFROM UNDER OTHER THAN DISHONORABLE CONDITIONS.

2. AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ WAR VETERANS WHO ARE ACCEPTED FOR ENROLLMENT AT ANY OF THE SCHOOLS OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK OR THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK SHALL RECEIVE UP TO EIGHT SEMESTERS OF FULL-TIME UNDERGRADUATE STUDY, OR THE EQUIVALENT OF FOUR ACADEMIC YEARS, OR UP TO SIX SEMESTERS, THE EQUIVALENT OF THREE ACADEMIC YEARS OF GRADUATE STUDY TUITION FREE.

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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