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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. BALL -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to authorizing the division of veterans' affairs to establish, maintain and care for a state veterans' cemetery

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

- Section 1. Section 353 of the executive law is amended by adding a new 2 subdivision 20 to read as follows:
- 2 subdivision 20 to read as follows: 3 20. TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE A STATE VETERANS' CEMETERY AND MAKE 4 APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR SUCH FUNDS AS SHALL BE MADE
- 5 AVAILABLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING SUCH A CEMETERY. THE DIVISION 6 MAY ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE STATE 7 FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE OPERATION OF SUCH CEMETERY; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THE
- 8 DIVISION AND THE STATE SHALL HAVE THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE 9 PERPETUAL OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND CARE OF THE STATE VETERANS' CEME-
- 10 TERY. THE DIVISION, IN COOPERATION WITH THE OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES,
- 11 SHALL ACQUIRE, IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, SUCH LAND AS SHALL
- 12 BE NECESSARY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATE VETERANS' CEMETERY. ALL
- 13 LANDS UPON WHICH SUCH CEMETERY IS ESTABLISHED SHALL BE OWNED BY THE 14 STATE AND SHALL BE USED SOLELY FOR CEMETERY PURPOSES. THE DIVISION MAY
- 15 ACCEPT FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS, FUNDING FROM POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THE
- 16 STATE AND FEDERAL PLOT ALLOWANCE PAYMENTS TO ASSIST IN THE OPERATION OF
- 17 SUCH CEMETERY. ALL SUCH MONEYS SHALL BE USED SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSES OF
- 18 SUCH CEMETERY.
- 19 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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