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-- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. BORELLI, DUPREY, GIGLIO -- read once  
and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to requiring certain municipalities to display the prisoner of war and missing in action flag

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

1     Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 403-a of the executive law, as  
2     amended by chapter 411 of the laws of 2005, is amended to read as  
3     follows:  
4     1. Every county outside the city of New York, city, town, and village  
5     [is encouraged to] SHALL display the prisoner of war and missing in  
6     action flag at the building housing its local legislative body on all  
7     days on which the flag of the United States of America is displayed IF A  
8     LOCAL VETERANS ORGANIZATION HAS PROVIDED THE COUNTY, CITY, TOWN, OR  
9     VILLAGE AN APPROPRIATE PRISONER OF WAR AND MISSING IN ACTION FLAG AND,  
10    UPON SUCH MUNICIPALITY'S REQUEST, ANY NECESSARY ATTACHMENTS OR FASTENERS  
11    REQUIRED TO ENABLE THE FLAG TO BE RAISED ON THE SAME FLAGPOLE AS THE  
12    FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IS DISPLAYED. FOR THE PURPOSES OF  
13    THIS SUBDIVISION, LOCAL VETERANS ORGANIZATION SHALL INCLUDE A POST OR  
14    POSTS OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE  
15    UNITED STATES, AMERICAN LEGION, CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS, INC., DISABLED  
16    AMERICAN VETERANS, THE ARMY AND NAVY UNION, U.S.A., MARINE CORPS LEAGUE,  
17    AMVETS, AMERICAN VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II, JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE  
18    UNITED STATES, INC., ITALIAN AMERICAN WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
19    INCORPORATED, MASONIC WAR VETERANS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, INC.,  
20    VETERANS OF WORLD WAR I OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF  
21    NEW YORK, INC., POLISH-AMERICAN VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II, AMSTERDAM,  
22    N.Y., INC., POLISH-AMERICAN VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II, SCHENECTADY, N.Y.,  
23    INC., POLISH LEGION OF AMERICAN VETERANS, INC., OR OTHER VETERAN ORGAN-  
24    IZATION OF HONORABLY DISCHARGED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE  
25    UNITED STATES.  
26    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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