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## 2013-2014 Regular Sessions

## IN ASSEMBLY

March 15, 2013

Introduced by M. of A. SCHIMEL -- read once and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

AN ACT to amend the executive law, in relation to requiring directors of county veterans service agencies to be accredited by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs

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

- 1 Section 1. Section 357 of the executive law is amended by adding a new 2 subdivision 3 to read as follows:
- 3. THE DIRECTOR OF ANY COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE AGENCY SHALL, WITHIN THREE YEARS FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SUBDIVISION, BE ACCREDITED AS A SERVICE ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE OR AS A CLAIMS AGENT BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AND SHALL MAINTAIN SUCH
- 7 ACCREDITATION FOR THE DURATION OF HIS OR HER APPOINTMENT AS DIRECTOR.
- 8 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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