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AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to enacting the "Commitment to Military Education Act"

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

1 Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Commitment
2 to Military Education Act."
3 S 2. The education law is amended by adding a new section 669-e to
4 read as follows:
5 S 669-E. TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE
6 UNITED STATES. 1. ELIGIBLE STUDENTS. STUDENTS MUST BE ENROLLED IN THE
7 STATE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SYSTEM ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS
8 SECTION AND MUST HAVE BEEN ENROLLED IN A TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
9 UNDER A BRANCH OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES WHICH WAS CANCELLED OR
10 SUSPENDED IN THE YEAR 2013.
11 2. TUITION REDUCTION. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LAW TO THE CONTRARY,
12 STUDENTS WHO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION
13 SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR REDUCED TUITION IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK UNIVERSI-
14 TY SYSTEM. REDUCED TUITION SHALL BE EQUIVALENT TO THE REGULAR TUITION
15 AMOUNT REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE PER CREDIT HOUR THE STUDENT
16 FORMERLY RECEIVED FROM A TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM UNDER A BRANCH OF
17 THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES.

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

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1 3. IMPLEMENTATION. THE STATE UNIVERSITY TRUSTEES AND THE BOARD OF
2 GOVERNORS OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM SHALL PRESCRIBE RULES AND
3 REGULATIONS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SECTION.

4 4. EFFECTIVENESS. STUDENTS SHALL REMAIN ELIGIBLE UNDER THE REQUIRE-
5 MENTS OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION UNTIL THE TUITION ASSISTANCE
6 PROGRAM UNDER A BRANCH OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES, WHICH WAS
7 CANCELLED OR SUSPENDED IN THE YEAR 2013, FOR WHICH THEY WERE ENROLLED,
8 OR A SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR PROGRAM, IS REINSTATED.

9 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.