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Introduced by Sens. ADDABBO, BRESLIN, COMRIE, ESPAILLAT, HOYLMAN, LATIMER, PANEPINTO, PARKER, PERKINS, SANDERS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs -- recommitted to the Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs in accordance with Senate Rule 6, sec. 8 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to granting academic credit at state operated institutions of the state university of New York and the senior colleges of the city university of New York to veterans

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

1 Section 1. The education law is amended by adding a new section 669-h
2 to read as follows:
3 S 669-H. COURSE CREDIT FOR VETERANS. 1. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION,
4 THE TERM "VETERAN" MEANS A PERSON, MALE OR FEMALE, RESIDENT OF THIS
5 STATE, WHO HAS SERVED IN THE ACTIVE MILITARY OR NAVAL SERVICE OF THE
6 UNITED STATES DURING A WAR IN WHICH THE UNITED STATES ENGAGED AND WHO
7 HAS BEEN RELEASED FROM SUCH SERVICE BY ANY MEANS OTHER THAN BY DISHONOR-
8 ABLE DISCHARGE, OR WHO HAS BEEN FURLOUGHED TO THE RESERVE.
9 2. EVERY VETERAN WHO IS ENROLLED ON A FULL-TIME BASIS AS AN UNDERGRAD-
10 UATE STUDENT IN GOOD STANDING, AT AN INSTITUTION WITHIN THE STATE
11 UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OR THE CITY UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, SHALL UPON APPLICATION
12 BE GRANTED UP TO SIX ACADEMIC CREDITS PER YEAR AND SIXTY CREDITS IN THE
13 AGGREGATE TOWARDS HIS OR HER DEGREE FOR COMPLETION OF COURSES THAT WERE
14 PART OF SUCH VETERAN'S MILITARY TRAINING OR SERVICE IF THE COMPLETED
15 COURSES MEET THE STANDARDS OF THE AMERICAN COUNCIL ON EDUCATION OR ITS
16 EQUIVALENT FOR THE AWARDING OF ACADEMIC CREDITS. NO FEE, TUITION OR

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

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1 OTHER CHARGE SHALL BE ASSESSED AGAINST A VETERAN WHO QUALIFIES FOR SUCH
2 CREDIT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.

3 3. THE BOARDS OF TRUSTEES OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY AND THE CITY UNIVER-
4 SITY OF NEW YORK SHALL ADOPT SUCH PROCEDURES AS ARE NECESSARY TO FULLY
5 IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

6 S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of July next succeeding
7 the date on which it shall have become a law.