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I N S E N A T E

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Introduced by Sen. AVELLA -- 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 public housing law, in relation to veterans' eligibility for public housing

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

1 Section 1. Subparagraph 1 of paragraph b of subdivision 1 of section
2 156 of the public housing law, as amended by chapter 179 of the laws of
3 2006, is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) have served in the armed forces of the United States for a period
5 of at least six months (or any shorter period which terminated due to
6 death or injury incurred in such service), provided some portion of the
7 period of service was between the twenty-eighth day of February, nine-
8 teen hundred sixty-one to the seventh day of May, nineteen hundred
9 seventy-five, OR BETWEEN THE FOURTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, TWO THOUSAND
10 ONE TO THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER, TWO THOUSAND SIXTEEN, and

11 S 2. Section 156 of the public housing law is amended by adding a new
12 subdivision 8 to read as follows:

13 8. AN AUTHORITY SHALL GRANT A PREFERENCE IN THE SELECTION OF TENANTS
14 TO VETERANS OR FAMILIES OF VETERANS WHO HAVE A MILITARY SERVICE
15 CONNECTED DISABILITY PROVIDED THAT SUCH VETERANS OR FAMILIES OF VETERANS
16 OTHERWISE QUALIFY FOR OCCUPANCY IN SUCH AN AUTHORITY'S PROJECTS AND
17 PROVIDED FURTHER THAT SUCH AUTHORITY HAS COMPLIED WITH THE PROVISIONS OF
18 SECTION 960.206 OF TITLE 24 OF THE CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS RELATING
19 TO SUCH PREFERENCES.

20 S 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
21 it shall have become a law.

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

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