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Introduced by M. of A. GUNTHER, GALEF, MONTESANO -- Multi-Sponsored by  
-- M. of A. RIVERA -- read once and referred to the Committee on Real  
Property Taxation

AN ACT to amend the real property tax law, in relation to the exemption  
from taxation for non-profit organizations

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

1     Section 1.     Section 420-a of the real property tax law is amended by  
2     adding a new subdivision 15 to read as follows:  
3     15. IN ALL INSTANCES, THE BURDEN OF ANNUALLY ESTABLISHING THAT THE  
4     REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION HAVE BEEN SATISFIED SHALL BE UPON THE OWNER  
5     OF THE PROPERTY AND MUST BE PROVEN BY CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE. THE  
6     DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP, IN CONSULTATION WITH NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZA-  
7     TIONS AND ASSESSORS, GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS TO BE USED BY ASSESSORS IN  
8     DETERMINING WHETHER THE STANDARD OF PROOF ESTABLISHED BY THIS SUBDIVI-  
9     SION HAS BEEN MET.  
10    S 2. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeed-  
11    ing the date on which it shall have become a law and shall apply to  
12    assessment rolls prepared on the basis of taxable status dates occurring  
13    on or after such date.

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

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