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Introduced by M. of A. DenDEKKER, COOK, GIGLIO, ROBERTS -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. CORWIN, CROUCH, GOODELL, GRAF, McDONOUGH, NOLAN, THIELE, TITONE -- read once and referred to the Committee on Local Governments

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to the validity of certificates attesting to the satisfactory completion of an approved municipal police basic training program

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

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subdivision 1 of section 209-q of the general municipal law, as amended by chapter 551 of the laws of 2001, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A certificate attesting to satisfactory completion of an approved municipal police basic training program awarded by the executive director of the municipal police training council pursuant to this subdivision shall remain valid:

(i) during the holder's continuous service as a police officer or peace officer who has an equivalency certificate for police officer training or an approved course for state university of New York public safety officers issued in accordance with subdivision three of section eight hundred forty-one of the executive law; and

(ii) for two years after the date of the commencement of an interruption in such service where the holder had, immediately prior to such interruption, served as a police officer or peace officer who has an equivalency certificate for police officer training or an approved course for state university of New York public safety officers issued in accordance with subdivision three of section eight hundred forty-one of the executive law, for less than two consecutive years; or

(iii) for four years after the date of the commencement of an interruption in such service where the holder had, immediately prior to such interruption, served as a police officer or peace officer who has an

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

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equivalency certificate for police officer training or an approved course for state university of New York public safety officers issued in accordance with subdivision three of section eight hundred forty-one of the executive law, for two consecutive years or longer; [or]

(iv) where the holder, whose interruption in continuous service as a police officer does not exceed ten years, has satisfactorily completed an approved police officer refresher course or where a peace officer, who seeks an equivalency certificate for police officer training or an approved course for state university of New York public safety officers issued in accordance with subdivision three of section eight hundred forty-one of the executive law, has satisfactorily completed relevant police officer training courses, as prescribed by the municipal police training council; OR

(V) FOR UP TO A THREE YEAR PERIOD OF INTERRUPTION IN CONTINUOUS SERVICE, WHERE THE HOLDER HAS PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS POLICE OFFICER FOR AT LEAST TEN YEARS AND HAS AN EQUIVALENCY CERTIFICATE FOR POLICE OFFICER TRAINING, PROVIDED HOWEVER, THAT SUCH INTERRUPTION CONSISTED OF SERVING AS A PEACE OFFICER FOR STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS OR ANY INSTRUMENTALITIES THEREOF AND THAT SUCH SERVICE AS A PEACE OFFICER WAS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPARABLE TO THE DUTIES OF A POLICE OFFICER, AS DETERMINED BY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE EMPLOYING POLICE AGENCY, AND PROVIDED FURTHER, IF DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE EMPLOYING POLICE AGENCY, THE HOLDER HAS SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED RELEVANT POLICE OFFICER REFRESHER TRAINING COURSES.

S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after it shall have become a law.